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EGMORE,
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To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

We have before us your several advices of the 30th. March 6th. & 14th. of April, & 20th. of May last with your Diary Accounts, &ca. papers agreeable to the respective Packet Lists.

You did very right in sending us the part of your Diary referred to, as it furnished us with a clearer and more connected Information of your Transactions wth. the French than are attainable by Letter remarking withall that you use the Portugueze language in your papers with the French: We cannot but prefer it as a neutral tongue to writing in theirs, knowing how much those people are attach'd to National Punctilios, & provided you understand each other it is sufficient.

Your Letter of the 20th. May gives us very pleasing Accounts of the manner you have dealt with the French both in respect to the measures taken to draw the Pepper into your hands, wch. in their false & fickle way they had acted so double a part in promising to fix the price in concert wth. you & immediately breaking thro' this Agreement, & in drawing off the Country Governments from their Interest: The cultivating their Friendship and Promoting a good Harmony wth. the Powers round you is a Plan of Conduct always enjoined by our Honourable Masters, who would owe the currency of their Trade and affairs as much as possible to the good Will & Confidence of the Natives, but at this Juncture espescially when a War wth. France is generally apprehended, it will be highly politick at all events to secure the Support and Concurrence of the Country Powers whom we observe with much satisfaction seem to be alarmed & jealous of French Encroachments, & we hope by your discreet Improvement of the occasion, to reap the Benefit of their unpopular suspicious Conduct.

We are sensible that these Oppositions & Counter Interests furnish the Mallabars an opportunity of making Advantages of both sides, & that some expence is necessary to attach & unite them to you; This we have already wrote you fully upon & given you all the Lattitudes in our Orders wch. is necessary to save you from Blame. It is true our Honble Masters have expressly prohibited Loans of their money to the Country Governments having sufficiently smarted for it already, but We do not think they will be against such indispensible & occasionall advances of money where their Interest & Estimate are evidently to be benefited by it, & the Reasons are justly & clearly stated to them, And in regard to the Prince in particular (as noted in your Letter of the 30th. March) we say that you may launch out a moderate Sum on any Emergency for preventing his being subdued by any Power whatever, for should We once lose the Countenance he now affords us, it is to be apprehended worse consequences might ensue than the parting with any reasonable Sum.

We observe the Cannarees have at length concluded a Peace with you & we hope your Province will be now entirely Free from any apprehensions from that Quarter; we shall be glad that you use your best Endeavours to establish & fix a good Correspondence wth. that Government, as we think it may answer very good

purposes. It is Trade we seek & not War unless unavoidably engaged for the preservation of our Hoñble Masters Interest & Estate, and this is a maxim we must strongly inculcate a generall perswasion of in all our Dealings and Transactions.

We have thoroughly noted all the steps you advise to have taken for enlarging your stock of Pepper w^ch^. it is a reall satisfaction to observe, is so much larger than we expected, from a Review of the Quarrels, & Embroils you was involved in, w^ch^. must so greatly affect the Currency of your Business, as well as raise the Price of that Commodity.

We were in hopes of receiving from our Hoñble Masters explicite Directions this Season for fixing the rate of your Extra Purchases, but none yet arriving, we can only 'till their Orders come to hand continue ours on the present foot, & you are accordingly to contract for, & buy up, as much as procurable, for the account of our Honble Masters, & according to our last Regulation.

We are well satisfied w^th^. your sending M^r^. Purnell to Onore, & the Contracts there made, & as you will return him thither as soon as the season will permitt, you are to direct him to increase the Quantity as much as he can, and as we shall send a Ship thither to take it in, w^ch^. will carry proper Scales & Weights, consigned to him for the use you mention, he may likewise attend, & see to the weighing & shipping off of three hundred Candys w^h^. lie ready there (as we advised) on a Contract made here for that Quantity; You should likewise give him in charge to advise us by all occasions of his Progress & Transactions, that we may give him orders as necessary.

We take notice of the leaving the Price open with regard to some of your Contracts, both for Pepper & Cardamoms, but we must say it is a very unmercantile & inconvenient Expedient, & w^ch^. nothing but the necessity of the times can justify, but as we are sensible it is the best means to prevent a greater evil, in the Diversion of those Articles into the hands of your Neighbours, we must acquiese in it, till the necessity is removed, which is one of the Inconveniencies the Competition of the French exposes the Market to; but from what we can Collect by your advices, they must soon be sick of their extravagant method of Dealing & its Consequences.

We approve for the reasons you give of the advancing money for securing the full & timely Performance of your Pepper Contracts (29^th^. & sequent Paragraph of the 20^th^. May last) & recommend to you strongly that all care be used, that our Hoñble Masters be no sufferers by any trust of this sort.

In regard to the providing the annuall Quantity of Cardamoms, we can only say that you must use all possible care in getting the best procurable, & on the cheapest Terms, being very sensible they sometimes prove better than at other times, owing to the season.

We observe the Detail of your Private Purchases of Pepper on places of the Coast (27^th^. & sequent Paragraph) w^th^. the Dates, & Application, & find no room for Censure or Reflection, & do not doubt of your continueing the same punctual regard w^ch^. you express, not to let any private Interest interfere w^th^. your Duty to our Honourable Employers.

We have received your Plan & Calculate of the Factory at Callicutt, & as we are sensible of the Expediency of preserving a Footing there, We must repeat our Leave for setting about that work but we require that you see that the expence & Charges be as nearly comptrolled as possible, so as not to exceed your Calculate, Copy of which, w^th^. the Plan, we would have you likewise transmit our Hoñble Masters.

We must likewise repeat the Approval heretofore given for Casing the Warehouse, & is a work we shall be glad to hear is finished as soon as possible, w^th^. respect to the Inconveniencys before represented, & the Loss now actually arisen, as ℔ your advice 44^th^. and sequent Paragraph.

We observe the arrival of Cap^t^. Jacobs w^th^. the Detachment in Succour of this Presidency from Bengal, & are compleatly satisfied w^th^. every part of your Management in regard to the Vessels & people. The men we would have you send up in

equal proportions on board the first two ships, belonging to our Honble Masters that shall touch at your place, in order to strengthen them in their passage up, or as their Condition may respectively require.

The Calcutta Grab we would have you dispatch up w^th^. the first safe occasion of Convoy, filling her up w^th^. w^t^. Cordage & Laccadivah Coir, she may be able to take in for this Place.

We are so much easier & cheaper supplied from another Quarter w^th^. Country Match that we shall for the present need no further provision of it at your place, & of that you have got, you may keep the necessary for the use of your Garrison, and send up the Remainder.

As we shall want the Poon Masts here, we would have you find means to send them up here, by the first proper Conveyances.

We shall comply w^th^. your Indents the first proper occasion: As to the Europe Gun Powder we must recommend to you to be as sparing of as pos^ble^. being ourselves but scant supplied w^th^. it, & very little able to afford such Draughts.

It is with great concern we note the falling short of your Cash, and the more so as it is expressly enjoined by our Honble Masters to keep you full supplied for commanding the Market: But we shall hope their Indulgence, when we assure them as we now do you, that on a Supputation [*sic*] of the probable Demands for your Factory, we judged the last two Lacks we sent, (not to mention other incidental Payments into your Cash) a large allowance for the service of the Current year; but the unexpected Increase of your purchases has it seems exceeded our Calculate, w^ch^. so far makes amends, & we shall by the first secure conveyances replenish your Cash sufficiently. Henceforward let it be a stand^g^. rule w^th^. you to furnish your own Calculate in w^ch^. include every probable Demand, and the utmost Sum respectively required for each, for our Directions in supplying you.

We observe the Dilatoriness of the Prince in the clearance of his Debt, but as we do not think this a proper time to press or dissoblige him, we leave it to your Discretion to time your solicitations; We are pleased however so far with his restitution of the Elephants in Question, as seems by yours to be a point y^t^. smoothed the way for the pacification you advise us is concluded between him and the Canarees.

We are pleased w^th^. what you have recovered from the Nombiers, & the expectancy you are in of the rest; All such Instances are highly agreeable to our Honourable Masters.

The Samorine we observe evades concluding the clearing of his Debt or sending his ministers for that purpose, & as a direct application thro' a Servant at Panany has been hitherto of use, we would have you in due season pitch upon one, and depute to the Samorine w^th^. proper Instructions.

We shall consider thoroughly of the Expediency & use of resettling at Onore; in the meantime your intimations agree exactly with what suggested to us here, as to the measures and proper applications for that purpose. The Present you have made to the King of Beddnure we esteem well seasoned, & approve of it accordingly.

The advices you give us of the French management & Temper of the Country Powers (Paragraph 50^th^. and sequent) with the Commencement of some Overtures of a confederacy against them, altogether seem to form a fair and improveable Prospect, of which good use may be made in case of a War breaking out, & the assurances you subjoin of acting for the best as conjectures may offer are what we must depend upon and commit to your Discretion.

The precautions and Posture of Defence you put all the Forts into on the advice and appearances of an approaching War with France are very just and commendable, & as we have but too much reason to fear it's being actualy declared already, the following Intimations can be of no Diservice [*sic*] to you at all Events.

Put yourselves the best you can upon your Guard, see that your Fortifications be in the most defensive Posture, they will admit of, Discipline your Garrison well, and in case of actual War none should go out of, or into the place, or within your Bounds, without being known & examined regularly as near as possible; Send Patrolls constantly to suspected places: let your Enemies see that you are not to be surprized; and tho' your Place is a very bad one, we hope it yet may be defended against any Troops they may raise, notwithstanding the Threats they have often given out of carrying it so easily (as the President informs us) in case of a War. Let the severest justice be immediately executed agst. any you shall have just reason to deem spies; These precautions, & others relative to them, (which we leave to your discretion) will be sufficient to secure you against all surprize: and in the Case of an open War, we hope you will be so fortified by your Party in the Country, as to be at least a match for these neighbours, whose Conduct we observe has alarmed the Governments round them so much as to incline them greatly to your side; a Disposition You must not fail of cultivating.

You did extremely right in maintaining the Rights of your Rivers & Passes; and as to the Pretensions the French have set up to the River of Cotah they seem entirely groundless & timed against an approaching War, w^{ch}. by many circumstances it is plain they expect will soon break out.

Enclosed you have Copys of the Paragraphs in our Honble Master's Orders receiv'd ℔ Mountague, the punctual Compliance wth. which You will in Consequence attend to.

As We are not yet thoroughly apprized of Sambajees designs, we can in Generall recommend to you the Cautioning against any English Vessels coming up single, for we believe he will be out with all his Force at the opening of the Monsoon, and perhaps renew his attempt against Colabby, The Reduction of which he has much at heart.

Have in readiness to send home ℔ Warwick, the original Bills of Lading of the Resolution from your place, or Authenticated Copys, for the satisfaction of our Honourable Masters.

We would have you procure and send up by the first proper conveyance Twelve Chests of Candles, for the Service of this Presidency.

We have just now receiv'd Advice from Anjengo, that they are in great want there of a person qualified to act as Gunner of the place; For the present we cannot supply them, and direct therefore that you send M^{r}. Croes down by the first opportunity, to remain there, untill we make another provision, should there be occasion for it, and for you we will send a Gunners Mate by the Warwick.

By this Ship you will receive a Consignment of Eighty thousand Rupees, which is as much, as we thought convenient to risque on this Occasion, and shall supply you further by the first good Conveyance.

Enclosed you have Capt. Mackneale's Orders relating thereto, in case of his not being able to gain your Port.

We are
SIRS

Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JN^{O}. GEEKIE.
JN^{O}. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICK.

BOMBAY CASTLE
AUGUST THE 14TH. 1740.
REC^{D}. ℔ SHIP MARY.
AUG^{T}. 23^{D}.

COPY OF SUNDRY PARAGRAPHS OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S LETTER (DATED 2D. AUGUST 1739) TO BOMBAY RECEIVED THE 17TH. JULY 1740 ℔ SHIP MOUNTAGUE RELATING TO TELLICHERRY FACTORY.

We dispatched the Ship Duke Capt. Thomas Hindman Commander to Bencoolen the 23d. of May last, & she sailed the 25th. of that month wth. Orders to be sent from thence to Benjar for a loding of Pepper, & we have great reason to expect Success, our Supercargoes of Ship Prince of Wales having opened a Trade there. Paraph. 7.

However We have thought it necessary in case by any Turn of Affairs a Cargo is not procurable at Borneo, to direct our Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Malborough to consign the Ship Duke to our Chief & Council at Tellicherry in order to be dispatched home from thence, we having given the needfull Orders to Tellicherry for that purpose, as ℔ Copy of our Letter enclosed. 8

In the advices before Us an unwillingness is shewn to be concerned wth. us in such a Voyage, Viz. a China Voyage but the main reason arises from the Embargo that the Government has lain on all our ships upon the Differences arisen wth. Spain whereby the Wages of Seamen are very much raised, the Amount whereof would considerably Diminish the profits on a Country Voyage and therefore we now proceed to give directions in what manner the Royall Guardian is to be disposed of. 10

The Commander is ordered to touch first at Anjengo, also, at Tellicherry that he may take under his Convoy such Country ships as are ready to proceed up the Coast, as ℔ Copy of our Letter to that Settlement, & the Capts. instructions enclosed. 11

The Royall Guardian must be filled up with Sandall wood & Pepper at Tellicherry. Part of the 13th

The Commanders or officers of our Ships shall not be permitted to bring out Fire Arms as bad consequences may attend the same. 23d

Under this head the Calculate of Quick Stock is said to be drawn in the most exact manner, & the Late President & Council say they are at a Loss to know in what respect it is faulty; and put us on pointing out the mistakes. In answer thereto we laid down a plain Rule in our Letter by the Resolution, & had it been but Carefully read, we cannot see what clearer Terms could have been made use of, in order to prevent errors, whereas to mention only one grand Omision tho' many might be recited, The Stores remaining at Bombay are surely part of our Estate, & although amounted to Rupees four hundred, fifty two thousand one hundred & Seventy six, twenty reas on the 31t. of July 1738, & the Nassau and Onslows were afterwards received, yet so materiall an Article is not inserted in the Calculate sent us by the Onslow.

But that we may have this important Affair set in a True light annually in future, We shall explicitely lay before you in what manner it must be drawn out Vizt.

Dr. . . . . Quick Stock. . . . . Cr.	
At Bombay	at Bombay
To Cash the Ballance remaing. this day.	By Debts owing
To Bullion for the Ozs. remaing. this day.	
To Goods from Europe in ye. Warehouse 30th. Ulto.	
To Goods for Europe Ditto.	
To Stores remaining Ditto.	
To Goods Debts that may be depended upon.	

Omitting entirely the Charges and Revenues for the ensueing year. 12

And as Tellicherry & Anjengo are at such a Distance, they must transmit directly to us by the Ships that call there, a Calculate of their Quick Stock drawn out in like manner; and the Accounts must be signed by the whole Council at each Settlement.

A True Copy.

RECD. ℔ MARY
AUGUST THE 23D. 1740.

THOS. HODGES.
H. SYMMONS.

COPY OF SUNDRY PARAGRAPHS OF THE HONBLE COMPANYS LETTER; (DATED THE 19TH. DECEMR. 1739) RECE'D THE 17TH. JULY ℔ SHIP MOUNTAGUE, RELATING TO TELLICHERRY FACTORY.

We have taken up the following Ships for carrying on our trade this Season Vizt.

Ships Names.	Burthen.	Commanders.	where Consigned.
Mountague	495	Fielder Freeman	Mocho.
Wilmington	495	Leonard Maddox	Coast and Bay.
Princess of Wales	495	Walter Hoxton	
Winchester	495	Richard Pinnel ...	Canton.
Bedford	490	William Wells	St. Helena & Bencoolen.
Duke of Dorset	460	Thomas Gilbert	Canton.
Princess Emelia	495	Samuel Martin	
Dorrington	495	Richard Crabb	Madeira and Coast & Bay.
Cæsar	495	Robt. Cummings	Coast and Bay.
Heathcote	490	Jonathan Cape	
Colchester	495	Richd. Micklesfield Junr. ...	
Princess Louisa	490	John Pinson	Bombay via Bengall.
Nottingham	498	Thomas Brown	Bombay.
Hallifax	490	John Blake	Bombay & to be Commodore.
dwick	495	John Hallet	Bengall and Bencoolen.
Edgbaston	495	Stephen Cobham	Madagascar, Ben coolen & Benjar.-

Paraph. 25. We are not acquainted what Pepper was in Warehouse or contracted for at Tellicherry on the President's Departure the 7th. March, which was five Weeks after the Nassau came from thence, & at a time when the New Crop was gathering, so material a Point should have been imparted, as your advices might reasonably be expected to reach us before our ships sailed, nor is one word said how the Market stood affected as to any Article of Goods whatever either Europe or Indian.

A true Copy

RECD. ℔ MARY
AUGT. 23D. 1740.

THOS. HODGES.
H. SYMMONS.

TO CAPT. ROBERT MACKNEALE
COMMANDER OF THE MARY.

SIR.

Having proceeded to lade on board your ship the sum of Eighty thousand Rupees, (Rups. 80.000) on Acct. of the Honble Company, consigned to the chief & Factors at Tellicherry, You are to please to remark the following instructions.

Should you be able to touch at Tellicherry, you are then to deliver this Treasure and our Packet to the Chief & Factors there, but if any unforeseen Accident obliges to pass that Port, then you will use your best endeavours to fetch that of Callicutt where you will land & Deliver our Packet for Tellicherry and the Treasure to Francisco Dias, the Honourable Company's Linguist there, whose receipt shall be your Warrant, & to whom you now receive a Letter from the President concerning the same.

Should your touching at Callicutt prove likewise impracticable You will still be able to touch at Anjengo, where you are to deliver the Consignment aforesaid wth. the Packets directed both to Tellicherry & Anjengo.

We wish you a prosperous Voyage & are

A True Copy.

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 12TH. AUGT. 1740.

RECD. ℔ MARY
AUGT. 23D. 1740.

SIR
Your Humble Servants
THOS. HODGES.
C. MANINGHAM.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. COUNCILL AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS.

The foregoing is Duplicate of our last, since which your Letter of the 28th. Ultimo we receiv'd the 15th. instant, with one from the Presidency of Fort St. George, Duplicate of which we rece'd here last May.

You will perceive by our former Letter we have already given your Settlement Credit for the Teak plank, as the Callicut Linguister sent us the amt. of its Cost & Charges; We will likewise comply in crediting you for the amont [*sic*] of Twenty Rupees, One Quarter, Twenty Raes, the Expence of the Balloon, & this Pattamar as you desire.

It is a great satisfaction to Us, to hear you have prevented the approaching designs of your Neighbours, on our Hoñble Master's priviledges and we heartily wish it was as much in our power to hinder those near us, but to our great mortification the King will not strike a stroke, & seems to resign all to his Enemies.

By private advices from Madrass the 7th. Instant we hear of the arrival of the Princess of Wales, who left England the 25th. Jan'ry in company wth. the Wilmington Winchester, Mountague & Bedford, and who brings news of a War's being declared with Spain, but the French as yet were Neuter.

We are
SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servts.

ANJENGO
JULY THE 19TH. 1740.

RECD. ℔ PATTAMAR
THE 5TH. AUGUST.

CHA'S WHITEHILL.
ROBT. RAWDON.
THOS. PATTLE.

TO THE WORSHIPFULL WILL: WAKE ESQR.
&CA. GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL.

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS.

I have received your Worship's and &ca. Gentlemen's Order for to proceed to the Assistance of Anjengo Factory by the first Conveyance; I should heartily comply wth. your Worships &ca. Gentlemen's Order if I was in health capable to proceed, & none would be more ready to obey, But as I am much afflicted with the sickness I formerly had upon me I cannot.

On the time of hot season at Anjengo, Months, February, March, & April my Distemper began to break out upon me; as I found that no body there to give me any relief, I desired his Worship Chas. Whitehill Esqr. that I may proceed to Tellicherry; as I have met with a fatteagueing [*sic*] Voyage against Wind & Tide, in an open Boat, exposed to Sun & rain, it encreased ever more & more upon me, & put me into a great Fever.

When I found the sickness so much encreased, I sent for the Doctor who formerly had me in cure, & am under his Care these two months, which I find my self some what better—if I should now stir before I have well recovered my health, & be relapsed it may chance carry me to my Grave.

I do humbly beg that your Worship &c^{a}. Gentlemen will pity the condition I am under & likewise beg that I may stay to undergo the Course of Physick, w^{ch}. I am now taking; If the Almighty God by his bountifull Goodness, will be pleased to recover me of this my sickness, none will be more ready to obey your Worship's & c^{a}. Gentlemen's Order and Commands. I am

TELLICHERRY,
AUG^{T}. THE 24TH. 1740.
REC^{D}. THE 25TH.

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Servant
PETER CROES.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS.

The 1^{t}. Instant we received your favour of the 27th. past by Boat, accompanying the Packet from the Hoñble President and Council of Bombay.

As M^{r}. Croes's Long ill state of health may likely prevent his being able to proceed down here, or in all probability render him incapable of being serviceable; should it prove so as our present situation really requires an experienced man to be wth. us, We desire you'll please to represent it to the Hoñble President & Council, should you meet wth. an opportunity sooner than we, that we may be early supplied, if M^{r}. Croe's indisposition continues to dissapoint his coming.

The Dutch wait for a superiour force to be sent them this Year to what they had last & design by all accounts to begin wth. Attinga early in the season, The consequence of w^{ch}. will of course to our great concern make this Settlement of Little service to our Hoñble Masters.

We are

ANJENGO
SEP^{R}. 2^{D}. 1740.
REC^{D}. ℔ BOAT EXPRESS
SEP^{R}. 12TH. 1740

SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
CHA^{S}. WHITEHILL.
ROB^{T}. RAWDON.
THO^{S}. PATTLE.
THO^{S}. LANE.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

I arrived here on the 28th. Instant, & now send back the two Boats, to whom I have given one Bale of rice, & one Rupee for their expences down.

As there is no body here at present that immediately belongs to Hur Comity, I shall deliver the Treasure counted and sealed up to Attorney Sancra Senai who is one of the most reputable & responsible Merchants in this place, & I do not at all doubt but it will very safe in his hands, & delivered to my Order. This method I hope you will approve of as I had no Orders to deliver the money to any particular Person.

I have made inquiry in relation to purchasing the small Quantity of Pepper that is in this place, but as the Terms the Merchants insist upon are not so agreeable as I could wish for, I have not yet made any Agreement wth. them; They are now consulting about it, & if I can do any thing wth. them, I will advise you before I leave this Place w^{ch}. shall be as soon as there is any appearance of good Weather.

MANGULORE
SEP^{R}. 30TH. 1740.
REC^{D}. ℔ TONEY
OCTOBER Y^{E}. 3^{D}. 1740.

I am GENTLEMEN
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Serv^{t}.
THO^{S}. PURNELL.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

The Mary carried our last to you under the 14th. Ultimo and on the 29th. We received yours of the 25th. June.

Our Hoñble Masters Ship the Warwick being now under Dispatch for Great Brittain, we have thought it expedient to send the Rose Galley in her company to your Port, as well for the greater security of that Ship, as to carry the several Stores &ca. wanted for the Service of your Settlement, & that of Anjengo which the Warwick through being fully Loaded from hence was not able to take in.

The Galley after Landing the Consignment to you (in which We recommend all possible dispatch) is to proceed directly to Anjengo, and the Gentlemen will have Directions to use the utmost speed for expediting her return to you where we would have her detained untill the arrival of any of our Honourable Masters Ships designed hither. But should the Royall Guardian be the first that reaches you (as in all probability she will) any advices or Information you may receive, it is likely the Prince William or some other of their ships from the Bay will arrive early, on this Coast, in such case we leave it to your Discretion to Delay their Departure in Order for their proceeding up in Company with her, which would be the more pleasing to Us both in regard to their mutual safety, as that from the great Armament Sambajee Angria is preparing & the smallness of our present marine Force, we shall be but ill able to spare any Part for such frequent service of Convoy.

We have fully considered your last Advices and perused the several Letters that passed betwixt you and the French of Myhie, from all which together with the Presidents knowledge and information of that Part of the Country, we cannot but think their Hoisting their Colours so near your Limits, and on a spot to wch. We have a title, a plain & Direct Insult, and therefore you acted right to remove them by Force, and it is but too evident, that the French Designs, & Procedure of Late have been entirely levelled at Depriving our Honourable Masters of their share in the Pepper Trade, We highly approve of your Vigilance & Care for frustrating the Attempts of those your encroachg. Neighbours.

It is greatly pleasing to Us, the good Terms you are on wth. the Neighbouring Powers, & that the King of Cotiote so readily assisted you in the late Dispute wth. the French, wch. is a Disposition we must improve the inculcating wth. all round you, for tho' we have not hitherto any certain News of War between our Nation and France, yet from many concurring circumstances it seems unavoidable, & on such an Event, our Hoñble Masters Interest may be greatly advantaged by so general a Union, as indeed the French will by their Conduct, render it necessary, that they or we leave your Part of the Coast.

On the Mary we sent you Eighty thousand Rupees, and by this opportunity we consign a further Supply of one hundred and Fifty thousand equaly Divided between the two Vessels, as ℔ their respective Invoices & Bills of Lading, wch. we esteem a sufficiency for your Probable Demands.

The Stores you will receive by this occasion, are to the Extent our own necessities will admit, we being at present through the Non arrival of our ships from England of all kinds extremely bare. Your Indent for Gun Powder is complied with on the Warwick, but with a smaller Proportion of Europe & as this last is an Article difficult to procure in India, & of which we are not fully supplied from home, we must enjoin the greatest care in its use.

Whatever money the late President and Mr. Clealand may pay into your Cash, we permit you to grant them Bills on the Hoñble the Court of Directors for at the

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rate of Two Shilling & five pence (2. 5) ℔ Rupee, and to give the Commander Certificates for any Sum you may receive of him.

As keeping the Royall Guardian, for the other expected Ships, may be attended with Inconveniencies, by retarding her Dispatch to England, We would not therefore have the Vessels detained longer than the 1t. of December, & apprehend they will be of Sufficient Force to oppose the Enemy.

We have ordered the Chief Force of our Fleet to proceed wth. this Ship as low as Geereah, & should the Enemys Vessels not be in Port, the Tryal sloop is to accompany her to your Port, for a further additional strength, but if he still remains in harbour our first design will be pursued, & the other Vessels return hither.

We now enclose an Indent for some Coir Rope wch. we would have provided, & of wch. we are much in want also one for Masts; & we now send down a Person who is esteem'd a Competent Judge, of their goodness, and therefore would have you permit him to survey any you may be about to purchase, & whatever Directions he may give for the Cutting the heel, or otherways bringing them into proper shape and size for our use, we would have you let be done, But if none are procureable, then return him hither by the first opportunity.

Should the Rose be capable of taking in any Top Masts, Lade such as she can conveniently Bring, & send on her exclusive of the Coir Rope, such a Quantity of Laccadiva Coir, as she can without incumberance carry.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
THOS. WATERS.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
WM. SEDGEWICK.
GEO: DUDLEY.
THOS. MARSH.

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 20TH. OF SEPTEMBER 1740.

P.S.

As you have so earnestly desired a Gunner's Mate, We send to you Mr. Charles Garden to act in yr. Employ, he is the best we have to spare, & paid to ye. Last of August; He takes Passage on the Rose.

RECD. ℔ WARWICK
OCTOBER THE 3D. 1740.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

The General advices to your Settlement by the Warwick being closed, the President & Council have ordered me to forward you this on the Rose Galley, with her Bill of Lading for Seventy thousand Rupees, and to acquaint You that the remaining eighty thousand are consigned on the Warwick, wch. compleat the Sum mentioned in the said Letter.

I am
GENTLEMEN
Your most Hble Servant
SAM: PRICE,
Secry.

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 20TH. SEPR. 1740.
RECD. ℔ ROSE GALLEY
OCTOBER 3D. 1740.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS.

We send this by a Shybar of Mr. Whitehill's who will leave the Warwick and Rose to the Southward of Carwar, on wch. Ship and Vessels we send you a proper supply of Treasure and Stores as tis possible the French may have a Force at Myhie ready to attack them thro' the Declaration of War wth. that Nation, tho' unknown to Us at this time, We think proper to direct you do instantly on receipt

of this hasten out a Boat to meet them, & give Captain Shuter Information as you may think requisite for the Security of his Ship, & the Rose, by stopping at Cannanore, or in any other manner most convenient for answering the proposed End, for as our Honble Masters have a large Concern on them, tis incumbent on you to contrive the requisite means for their better Safety, & should you have any thing to communicate hither wch. requires secrecy, make use of the Cypher sent you last year by Mr. Rigby. The Warwick is fully laden & is only to call on you for the Delivery of Treasure and Gun powder in doing wch. the Commander has passed the proper assurance he will not insist on Demorrage.

TELLICHERRY,
SEPR. THE 20TH. 1740.
RECD. PR. SHYBAR
OCTOBR. THE 3D. 1740.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
THOS. WATERS.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
WM. SEDGEWICK.
THOS. MARSH.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF OF TELLICHERRY.

SIR

This morning I waited on the Samorine, and Delivered him your Letter & Present consisting of Two hundred Rupees in money, One piece of Silk I Brought from Tellicherry, & one I procured from Francisco Dias, value about Forty Rupees —The Samorine referred me to his Ministers for what I might have to take about, & then I took my Leave; Francisco Dias will go to the Palace to morrow, and Endeavour to bring Mangett Achem to the Factory, & if not I must go to him as without him nothing can be proceeded upon my stay here will be longer than I imagined, but you may be assured Sir not one hour shall [*sic*] lost in expediting the Business I was sent about.

CALLICUTT
OCTOBER YE. 14TH. 1740.

I am with respect
SIR
Your most Obedt. Hble Servant
WILLM. JEYNSON.

P.S.

Capt. Beck will tomorrow begin, to take on board wt. Lies reddy [*sic*] of Plank &ca. for Bombay.

RECD. ℔ TONEY
OCR. 17TH. 1740.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF OF TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Your Commands of the 14th. came to hand yesterday noon, & Agreeable thereto I have given Francisco Dias Directions to procure all the Laccadivia Coir he possibly can on the honble Companys Account also to enquire after, & secure the Pepper you have Notice is Brought to this place from Boyanores Country as also what Quantity is attainable to the Southward.

Also the Teak Plank for Bombay is reaady [*sic*] & Ten Beety (& the 15 wanting to compleat the Indent will be procured by return of the Rose Galley) Three hundred Lances, One hundred Twenty five spunge Staffs, fifeteen maunds of Candles, Fifty Candys Coir Cordage & Coir sufficient for thirty Candies more, which compleats the

first Indent; But the Linguist informs me he has not as yet been able to procure any Coir for beginning upon the Last tho' there is now in the place 25 Candies of coarse Lacadivia Coir, w^h^. I have ordered him to secure.

Cap^t^. Beck informs me he believes the Rose Galley & his Vessell will be able to carry up what may [*sic*] ready for Bombay; In order to w^ch^. he proposes taking on Board the major part of the Cordage, & as much plank &c. as she can carry, having regard to keeping his Vessel in a proper posture of Defence; The sea has run so high ever since I have been here that it is impossible to send any thing off.

I waited on the Samorine the 15^th^. & delivered him the Chiefs Letter w^th^. a Present consisting of two hundred Rupees, & two pieces of silk value 70 more; I excused in a proper manner the Chiefs not visiting him, & told him I was sent to recover the Companys Debt, and to treat with him about some affairs, w^h^. w^d^. be for the Benefit of his Country; relating to w^h^. he referred me to his ministers, & then I took my Leave, but as Mangett Achem the head minister w^th^.out whom nothing can be done, was not Present at y^e^. Palace, I was obliged to send the Linguister thither yesterday, for endeavou^g^. to bring him & the other ministers to y^e^. Factory. The former excused himself as being out of order, & desired the Linguist might go to him this day, w^h^. he will do accordingly & I hope to morrow I shall be able to come to a thorough knowledge how far I may succeed in the points recommended to me.

CALLICUTT
OCT^R^. 15^TH^. 1740.
REC^D^. P TONEY 18^TH^. D^o^.

I am w^th^. respect
SIR & SIRS.
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Servant
W^M^. JEYNSON.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^R^.

SIR

Your favour of the 18^th^. came to hand this morn^g^. w^th^. the Generall Letter and a Packet for Madrass. The latter I delivered to the Linguist, & told him what you mention relating to the Pattamar.

Yesterday even^g^. one of the Samorine's chief ministers & Secretary of State &c^a^. came to the Factory to peruse the Accounts; The several payments since the adjustment in April 1728 agreeing, I proposed forewith [*sic*] to settle the Interest on the respective Olas, separately, accord^g^. to their Dates, and not on y^e^. whole amount, w^h^. method they owned to be reasonable, but declared they could not adjust the account in that manner, w^th^.out express Orders from the Samorine, who was gone to Tellicherri Ellidu's (2^d^. minister) house, about 2 Leag^s^. distant hence, & w^d^. return again this Even^g^. I expressed a great Deal of uneasiness at being detained here so long & nothing done; They promised to return tomorrow without Fail.

I presume Sir you will easily conceive the irksome situation I am in as I am obliged to continue here untill the business I am sent upon is brought into some sort of shape, & at y^e^. same time knowing how absolutely necessary my speed return to Tellicherry is.

CALLICUTT
THE 20^TH^. OCT^R^. 1740.
REC^D^. P TONEY 23^D^. D^o^.

I AM w^th^. respect
SIR
Your most Hble Serv^t^.
W^M^. JEYNSON.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY

SIR & SIRS

This goes by the Calcutta Grab Captt. John Beck, on wch. agreeable to your Orders, I have Laden on Board as much of the hoñble Companys Goods as he informs me, he can conveniently receive having regard to keeping his Vessel in a proper Posture of Defence, whose Receipt for the same is enclosed, but their Cost I cannot transmit now, the Linguist being continually taken up wth. the Samorine's Ministers.

Yesterday in the Eveng. came to the Factory Parambee Secretary of State & the Governour of this place, with some other of the Samorine's ministers in Order to settle Accounts; on perusal of wch. tis found that the Sum of Five hundred Fifty nine thousand, three hundred Ninety nine Fanams five Tar, wch. he has paid since the last Adjustment in the year 1728, near clears the three first Periods, amounting to Four hundred thousand fanams wth. Interest due thereon; The remaining two amg. to Two hundred sixty eight thousand one hundred Twenty two fanams, four Tar by what I can perceive they aim to pay no Interest on, but only the Principall and indeed hinted with some Warmth that if we insisted on making up the Account in the former manner it wd. be so great a Burthen to The Samorine that would hardly ever be able to Discharge the same.

I expressed a great Surprize at their pretending to Cavil, alledgeing that most of them assisted when the manner of Discharging this Debt was (was) agreed upon, & withall told them that I had not power to Deviate therefrom nor any reason to believe you would.

In fine Gentlemen after many Arguments on both sides, they Departed, promising to relate to the Samorine what passed, & communicate his answer this day but have failed therein, sending word that as Manget Achem did not come to the Palace, they were obliged to defer it untill tomorrow.

Touching the other Affair, I do not find the Samorine, averse to it, but with all seems to Insinuate it will prove very beneficial to the hoñble Company, & should he acquiesce, tis presumed he will expect something favourable will be granted him on making up the Accounts, of all wh. tomorrow I hope shall be able to inform you.

I Beg leave to assure you Gentlemen that my continuance here so long, & without being able to bring matters to any manner of Issue, has unavoidably been oweing to sundry intervening circumstances, wch. I shall on my return give you a full account of it & hasten it all in my power being wth. Respect

CALLICUTT — SIR & SIRS
OCTR. 27TH. 1740 — Your most Obedt. & most hble Servt.
RECD. ℔ CALCUTTA GRAB — WILLM. JEYNSON.
29TH. Do.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

I arrived here no sooner than the 10th. Inst. being obliged to proceed by Land from Bassalore by reason of Angria's & Sevajee's Vessels bring out upon (upon) the Cruize, & here has lain twelve Gallivats of the formers for several days off the mouth of this Bar, waiting for joining some Grabs that are shortly expected down.

The Passage from hence to Goa by Land is now become very Precarious from the Morattas having posted themselves in several parts of the Sundy Rajahs Country adjacent to that place, & all persons are examind, if they carry Letters or any thing of Bulk about them, however I hope in a few days a Conveyance will offer to Bombay by a Shybar belonging to that place when I will Dispatch your pakett to the hoñble President & Council.

The report that has been spread abroad for some time past of there being arrived at Goa four of the hoñble Companys ships, & four from Portugal, I Believe is entirely false, & groundless, for yesterday arrived here a Christian fellow from Goa in Six days who assures me to the Contrary, & only says that they are in Expectation that three or four of their Ships will arrive there some time this Season.

Hur Comity has promised me that the two hundred Candies of Pepper shall be embarked immediately on the Arrival of any of the hoñble Company's Vessels from Bombay but from what I can learn elsewhere, I fear it will be some time before he can Deliver the three hundred Candies; However I hope for the Best, & shall duely obey any commands I may receive from Bombay in relation thereto.

I am inform'd that the King of Bedinure has sent Raganaut, & another head Officer wth. a considerable Force to repel that of Belchare Brama whose Country lies in the Mountains opposite to Bassalore, & by reason of its situation is extremely difficult to enter; It is said he has taken into his pay four thousand Morattas horse, & foot, & in a late Battle have made terrible slaughter of the King of Bidinures Forces, who is endeavouring to bring the Morattas over to his side, w^{h}. if he can accomplish it is thoug^{t}. he will be able to drive Belchare Brama out of his Country.

The above are all the Advices I know of at present, but when any thing further offers I shall Duely inform you & now beg Leave to subscribe myself.

ONORE
15TH. OCT^{R}. 1740
REC^{D}. ℔. PATTAMAR 31^{T}. D^{o}.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obed^{t}. hble Serv^{t}.
THO^{S}. PURNELL.

OUR CHIEF AND COUNCIL
AT TELLICHERRY.

1. The Ship Wilmington arrived the 8th. Aprill & brought us the advices from your place dated the 15th. March 1737, & 9th. June 1738; The Ship Hallifax arrived two Days before.

2. By the Wilmington We received a Letter from the Supra Cargoes of our Ship Prince of Wales dated at Tattas the 19th. June 1738, wherein they acquaint us that a Trade was opened at Benjar, so that we have Consigned the Ship Duke, Burthen 490 Tons Cap^{t}. Tho^{s}. Hindman Commander, to our Deputy Govern^{r}. & Council at Fort Marlborough ordering them to send her to Benjar for a Loading of Pepper, and we have no reason to doubt of their obtaining one, however if contrary to our Expectation it should so happen by any turn of Affairs, that they have no reasonable Prospect of procuring a full Loading at Benjar, they are directed to get what Pepper they can, and then to Dispatch the Duke in due time to you, with the remaining treasure and Lead that we have put on Board.

3. On their so doing We direct that you fill her up with Pepper and Dispatch her home to us without Loss of time.

4. We perceive with pleasure by the Advices before us that two thousand, six hundred, sixty four Candy of Pepper were in Warehouse the 1^{t}. of June & that our late Chief and Council had a Prospect of making up their stock Three thousand two hundred & Ninety Candy by the September following; By the Ship Harrington we strenuously recommended it to you to secure all the pepper possible, so that we have reason to expect you will have a large Quantity on hand upon this Ships Arrival, & in case such measures can be concerted with the French, as will effectually prevent the Price rising upon us, & at the same time a due proportion be secured for our Account, we shall esteem it a Politick Step, provided due care is taken that you are not Deceived by them.

5. We have taken up the Ship Royall Guardian Burthen 490 Tons, Cap^{t}. Henry Hoadly Commander, for the Mallabar Coast, Bombay & China, She is to be in the Downs the 12th. June, and will be dispatched about that time.

6. Capt. Hindman has borrowed of us Three thousand Pounds at Respondentia, His Chief & Second Mate are bound with him for payment of the same, however in case of his Death, & the ships coming your way, You must see that his Effects are not embezelled, they being Assigned over to us as a security & if he offers to pay any part of the Produce of his Outward bound Adventure into your Cash, you must receive the sam [*sic*] & Grant Certificates for the Amount.

7. We observe with pleasure one hundred thousand Fanams were received in further Discharge, of the Samorine's Debt, whereby its reduced to one hundred Seventy thousand five hundred seventy three Fanams exclusive of Interest, & altho' Interest is as much our due as Principal, yet in case our relinquishing a part of the Interest will effectually induce him to pay off the whole, we leave it to your prudence to Act herein, as may be most for our Interest, and we expect your best Endeavours will be exerted to recover the Prince Cunhi Homo's, & other outstanding Debts, possitively enjoining you not to Lend our money in future, and in all respects carry on our Commerce at as little Expence as possible, to which End intermedling with the Quarrels and Dissentions among the Mallabar Princes must be studiously avoided Endeavouring on the contrary to cultivate a good Harmony & Agreement wth. all around you, always taking proper Measures for the Defence of our Property.

Our Ship Queen Caroline Arrived the 14th. May, She left the King William, & Beaufort at St. Helena the 4th. March.

We are

Mic: Impey. Your Loving Friends

R. Drake. Wm. Rous.
P. Godfrey. Sam: Feake.
Wm. Gosselin. N. Newnham Junr.
Wm. Pomeroy. John Salter.
Abr: Addams. Alex: Hume.
Sam: Hyde. M. Martin.
Miles Barne. Wm. Rider.
John Hope. J. Winter.

London
23d. of May 1739.
Sent ℔ Duke via Bencoolen.
Recd. 6th. Novr. 1740 ℔ Royall Guardian.

Our Chief and Council
at Tellicherry.

1. Our last was Dated the 23d. May 1739 by the Ship Duke; Via Bencoolen, and she sailed out of the Downs the 25th. of that month; Copy of our said Letter is enclosed; The ships arrived us in safety since that time are inserted in the accompanying List.

2. By the King William and Onslow we received the Advices from your Place of the 30th. Sepr. and 23d. December last.

3. This comes by our ship Royall Guardian Capt. Henry Hoadly Commander who is consigned to Bombay, but ordered first to touch at Tellicherry.

4. We have put on Board sundry Goods & Merchandize, an Account whereof you have in an Abstract of the Invoice enclosed; In case you stand in need of any particular, Demand them of the Captn. who is ordered to deliver them on your so doing, but be sure to give an Exact Account of the same to Bombay.

5. The Royall Guardian's stay at Tellicherry must not exceed three days & the Commander is Ordered to take under his Convoy such English Countrey Ships or Vessels as are ready to proceed up the Mallabar Coast, whereof you will do well in giving them previous notice that so they may reap the Benefit.

This Ship is to be sent from Bombay to Canton, and returned to us, directly from thence & Sandall Wood being a proper Article for the Canton Markett, you must secure for us all that is possible against her return from Bombay to Tellicherry in her way to China, & we propose that she be filled up with Pepper at your place, so that provision must be made accordingly giving an Account to Bombay of the quantity you have reason to think will be ready.

In case this ship should have a long Passage, and not arrive with you in time to go up to Bombay & return in time to save her Passage to Canton whereof you will be able to judge. We direct that you take on shore all her Europe Cargoe, and land the Military at your place & Load on board her a Cargoe of Pepper & sandall wood upon our Account, with so much Bullion as shall make her Cargoe amount to Two hundred and Forty thousand Rupees, and consign the same by Invoice and Bill of Lading to such Supra-Cargoes as We shall appoint to take charge thereof, by our Ships bound to Canton this ensueing season, and give the Commander Sailing Orders accordingly—

We are
Your Loving Friends,

Mich: Impey.	Wm. Rous.
Rich: Chauncey.	Sam: Feake.
Alex: Hume.	Jos. Wordsworth.
Richd. Drake.	J. Raymond.
Wm. Pomeroy.	Wm. Billers.
Wm. Rider.	Abr: Addams.
J. Hope.	S. Winter.
Nath: Newnham.	Pr. Godfrey.
D. Braddyl.	Wm. Gosselin.

London
the 2d. August 1739.
Recd. Pr. Royall Guardian
the 6th. Novr. 1740.

Our Chief and Council
at Tellicherry.

Affairs in Europe at present have a Warlike Aspect, by Spains non Compliance with the enclosed Convention; A General Embargo has been laid on all Ships, & there has been a hot press some months past for Manning three strong Squadrons, which his Majesty has fitted out to cruize in the Mediterranean, West Indies, & the English Channel; Letters of Marque, & Reprizal have also been granted against Spain, as ℔ enclosed London Gazette.

Whether France may intermedle in the present Quarrels is as yet not known, but greatly to be apprehended.

So that you must be on your Guard, & take all proper previous Measures for the Security of our Settlement, Estate & Shipping in case a War should break out between us & France, & our ships must be ordered to keep company homeward bound.

We are
Your Loving Friends,

Mich: Impey.	Wm. Rous.
Ricd. Chauncey.	Sam: Feake.
R: Drake.	Jos. Wordsworth.
W. Pomeroy.	J. Raymond.
W. Rider.	W. Billers.
J. Hope.	Abr: Addams.
Nath: Newnham.	J. Winter.
D. Braddyl.	Pr. Godfrey.
	W. Gosselin.

London
the 3d. August 1740.
Recd. Pr. Royall Guardian
Novemr. the 6th. 1740.

LIST OF SHIPS ARRIVED IN ENGLAND SINCE THE 23D. OF MAY 1739.

Lyell	arrived the 2d. June 1739.
Royall George	
Beaufort	„ the 9th. Ditto.
King William	
Onslow	„ the 18th. Ditto.
Prince of Wales	
London	
Prince of Orange	„ the 12th. July.
Princess Royall	
Godolphin	

EAST INDIA HOUSE
THE 2D. AUGT. 1739.

RECED PR. ROYALL GUARDIAN
NOVEMR. THE 6TH. 1740.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO TELLICHERRY PR. ROYALL GUARDIAN.

No. 1. Company's Letter to Tellicherry dated 2d. August 1739.
2. Ditto ... to Ditto dated 3d. Do.
3. The Convention between Great Brittain and Spain dated 14th. January 1739 N.S.
4. The London Gazette relating to Letters of Marque & Reprisal.
5. Copy of Letter to Tellicherry dated 3d. May 1739 sent ℔ Duke via Bencoolen.
6. Abstract of the Royall Guardians Invoice to Bombay.
7. Bill of Lading of Do.
8. List of Ships arrived since the 23d. May 1739.
9. Copy of the Royall Guardians Charter Party.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The 17th. Inst. imported here the Warwick & Rose Galley, the Latter brought us your Letter of the 5 Inst. The Former sailed the 21t. early in the morning.

Our hoñble Master's Ship the Royall Guardian imported here yesterday, & the Commander intends to sail this Evening.

We have receđ by the Rose the Sixty Teak Plank, which comes out right, according to the account reced from the Linguister at Callicutt, the charges amounting to nine Rupees which we shall pay to Mr. Whitehill as you Direct.

We now return the Rose Galley & have as you directed given the Captain orders to call at Callicutt in his way up to you.

ANJENGO
OCTOBR. THE 23D. 1740.
RECD. ℔ ROSE GALLEY
NOVEMBER THE 7TH. 1740.

We are
SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

CHAL. WHITEHILL.
ROBT. RAWDON.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOMAS LANE.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

We have not received to this time any other Letters from you than what mentioned in our Last ℔ Warwick And as it is of the highest importance to be early informed of the Situation of your Settlement, which from the involv'd state you were then in creates the more Anxiety. We therefore now Dispatch a Light Boat, as well to carry some directions wth. regard to the designed Ships to this Port, & to give you an opportunity of transmitting such Advices as you may have to communicate, & the Boat to be then instantly returned.

We have had recourse to our Orders for detain'g the Royall Guardian (who we imagine will be the first that arrives, and Rose Galley untill the 1t. December; But as from the present Conjuncture of Affairs, & the absence of our Enemy Sambajee Angria, who is now gone up to the Sou Rajah, where it is likely he may stay some time, and that even should he return the Equipment of his Fleet will by that means be somewhat longer delay'd, We think the prenamed Vessels may be directed on receipt hereof to proceed immediately hither, but with this Precaution that they keep a good distance to Sea from any of the Enemy's Ports.

It then remains to provide for the security of our honble Master's Ship Prince William expected from the other Coast and here we must acquaint you that we have a report of the Arrival of Five ships at Madrass said to have left England in April (the certainty of which we cannot Vouch). In such case it is natural to conclude that the Embargo laid on shipping on Account of the Press for men having ceased, those designed for here will have sail'd at the same time, and thro' their Late Departure may be obliged to come the outward Passage, & in their way call at your Port. Should this be the Event her safety will be fully secured, but tho' this is uncertain, we yet think that she joined with the Bengall & Madrass private Ships, some of which may arrive in company with her will be sufficient to Cope with any Force that may attempt to oppose them; However as you undoubtedly from the Advices you may receive will be the best Judges in this matter we shall leave it entirely to your Discretion to give such Orders as you may judge proper both in regard to this Point, as well as the Rose, and Royall Guardian, not Doubting but you will Consult the most Cautious methods for prevention of any Accident.

In the Invoice by the Warwick, Sixty Four Barrels Country Gun Powder at sixteen Rupees and Fifty raes, each is said to amount to Rupees one hundred and Twenty nine, but should have been one thousand and thirty two; the Difference being nine hundred and three Rupees makes the Total one hundred Fifty six thousand three hundred, thirteen Rupees, Two quarters and one rae, which you are therefore to take notice of.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends,

STEPHEN LAW.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICK.
GEO: DUDLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE,
THE 1T. NOVEMBER 1740.

RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT
NOVEMR. 7TH. 1740.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

Your Letter of the 27th. by Mr. Garden in the Express Boat I received on the 30th. and am extremely obliged to you for the regard you therein expressed for my welfare; The ill state of health that has lately attended me, is I thank God pretty well over, excepting a great weakness that I find in my Eyes & all over

my body, occasion[ed] I believe by the long Fever I had which I am in hopes will mend every Day, whence according to I now return Mr. Garden to you, as he may possibly be detained here for a long time in case any of the Enemy's Vessels, who are very numerous hereabouts, should arrive before he getts away.

My last was ℔ Pattamar on the 20th. Ultimo, since which time I have not heard any thing from Bombay nor can I learn any thing further about the War the King of Beddinure is engaged in with Brama than that about fifteen days past there was a very severe Battle between them, when after a sharp Engagement for some hours the King of Beddinures Forces made those of Brama's retire, & about the same time catching some Spies in the Canarees Camp, they were ordered to be bound each of them to a Cannon & blown to pieces with powder. This I was told by a Person then at Beddinure, and is all I have to acquaint you with at present so beg leave to subscribe myself

ONORE,
THE 2D. DECEMR. 1740.

RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT
THE 4TH. 1740.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient &
very humble Servant
TS. PURNELL.

TO THE WORSHIPLL. WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

The inclosed is what I took the Liberty to write the Honble President & Council of Bombay, when I dispatched the Packet you delivered me for them, which I hope is safe arrived, tho I have not heard a word from thence, since my arrival here.

Hur Comity is continually complaining to me of the inconveniency he suffers for want of the rest of the money for the Pepper he contracted with me for in April last, whence from his Sollicitations or rather begging, I have at last consented to let him have three thousand Rupees. which I hope you will approve of. The Pepper I know is ready to be embarked at any time, but I assure you he shall not have another Rupee till it be Delivered.

I have learned no further news in relation to the Warr mentioned in my last of the 15th. Ulto. save that the King of Beddinure has recalled Raganut from the Post he was lately advanced to tho' for what reasons I cannot tell. He has sent Embassadors this season with rich presents, to Angria, the Sevajees &ca. Pirates, and the Masts mentioned in the Postscript of my Letter to the Governour & Council have been long since carried away.

A few days passed by this place four large Ships to the Northward without any small Vessels with them, which according to Advices, I believe are four Dutch Ships bound to Surat & Persia.

As I have nothing further to trouble you with at present, shall only beg leave to subscribe myself

ONORE,
THE 20TH. NOVR. 1740.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient &
most humble Servant
TS. PURNELL.

RECD. ℔ PATTAMAR
DECR. THE 7TH. 1740.

TO THE HONBLE STEPHEN LAW ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF BOMBAY &CA. COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The accompanying Packet addressed to your Honr. &ca. & was delivered me by the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry, with orders to forward it from hence to

the Padre Procuradore at Goa, but on my Arrival here the 10th. Inst. being informed that the passage thro' the sundry Rajahs Country is become very precarious from the Morattas having posted themselves in several parts of it adjacent to Goa; I now forward it by Faquerow Tindal of the Shybar Taverkally.

Hur Comity has promised me that the Two hundred Candies of Pepper he contracted with me for in April last shall be immediately Delivered on the arrival of any of the Hoñble Company's Vessels at Merejow a place about four Leagues to the Northward, but from what I can learn elsewhere I suspect that it will be some time, before he can deliver the whole of the other three hundred Candies, tho' my Endeavours with him to have it ready as soon as possible shall not be wanting, & shall wait your Honr. &ca. Commands in respect to this particular, which shall be executed as well as is in the power of

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your Honrs. &ca. most Obedient & most Humble Servant,

TS. PURNELL.

ONORE,
THE 16TH. OCTR. 1740.

P.S.

Here has lain twelve of Angria's Gallivatts at an anchor off the mouth of this Bar for several days past, & sev'ral Grabs are shortly expected down to carry away some Masts they have in readiness.

RECD. ℔ PATTAMAR
DECEMR. 7TH. 1740.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

As none of the Bengall Ships are arrived here, & we judge either the Princess Louisa or Prince William may be nigh arrived with you by this time, we now send this Boat Express, wth. the accompanying packet for the Presidency which you'll please to forward by the first Conveyance.

The Dutch the 26th. past with two large ships & three Sloops haul'd close into Coletchy & continued firing ashore for two or three days, which has made the Inhabitants desert the Town; The King has at last sent two thousand Nayrs to prevent their burning it, if their designs are such By the Disputes they are engaged in at present with the King of Travencore, they have not as yet come this way, & tho it is so convenient a juncture for Travencore to exert himself against his Enemys, he has no thoughts of it but is in great expectation from the French their promises.

It is with the utmost concern we apprehend our Hoñble Master's Affairs here will greatly suffer, & what little Pepper Attinga produces, the King some thoughts of draining to the Southward for the French, who will give eighty Rupees ℔ Candy when they come, & we don't doubt they'll accept the King's Promises, if their troubles at Myhie will permitt them. We are

SIR & SIRS,
Your most humble Servants,

CHAS. WHITEHILL.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOS. LANE.

ANJENGO,
DECR. THE 1T. 1740.

RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT
THE 8TH. DO.

To the Worshipfull W. Wake Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Council at Tellicherry.

Worshipfull Sir & Sirs.

We have rec̃ed several of the 28^th^. of April ℔ Bermudas Sloop, 6^th^. May ℔ Prince William, (who arrived here the 29^th^. June) and 10^th^. June last ℔ Pattamar to which we are now to reply.

We are pleased to find the Detachment sent on the Calcutta Grab, & Bermudas sloop arrived you safe; This last Vessel imported here from Madrass on the 1^t^. June. We observe the List of Stores said to be wanting on these Vessels, & enclose a Copy of it back to with our remarks thereon, which fully accounts for them.

Cap^t^. Jacobs in the hurry of his dispatch went away without receiving the one thousand Madrass Rupees p^d^. out of Cash & designed for his Expences in the voyage. This sum is received back, & we shall Credit Bombay Presidency for it.

M^r^. Edmund Massey has paid back Current Rupees eighty one nine Annas, & six Pice, for the Deduction of Freight between your Place & Bbay on Eight Bales Raw Silk, sent on ship Prince Frederick w^ch^. we shall also Credit Bombay Presidency for.

We return you thanks for your Advice of the several Ships importing on your Coast from these parts; Also your care of the Success Brigantine belonging to this place.

Our hoñble Masters ships imported here this Year from Europe are, the Princess of Wales, Princess Louisa, Hardwicke & Heathcoate, & we hear the Dorrington was forced to bear up for Madrass, thro' the Sickness of her people, & arrived there the 24^th^. Septem^r^. The Cæsar we have yet no news of.

The Wilmington was Dispatched from Madrass to Europe the 5^th^. Septem^r^. & the Gentlemen there hoped to send away the Colchester within that month.

We propose to Dispatch the Prince William & Hardwicke early in Decem^r^. to fill up at Fort S^t^. George, & the Heathcote & Princess of Wales directly for Europe; also the Dorrington and Cæsar.

We are
Worshipfull Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants,

Fort William,
the 13^th^. Nov^r^. 1740.

Thos^s^. Braddyll
Francis Russel.
Jn^o^. Forster.
W. Davis.
With: Barwell.
Jn^o^. Halley.

Rec^d^. ℔ Princess Louisa
Dec^r^. 12^th^. 1740.

To William Wake Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs,

The advices you forwarded by a Shybar under the 9^th^. Novem^r^. came to hand the 25^th^. following as did those by the Royall Guardian the 29 of the past month, & them sent by M^r^. Purnell were before rec̃ed the 2^d^.

We have intelligence that our Enemy Sambajee Angria's Fleet consisting of five Grabs & an uncertain number of Gallivats are now abroad, but whether he will bend his course to the Southward or Northward we are not informed; This gives us the more Anxiety as none of our expected Ships from England yet appear; Our force at present are station'd so as we hope will prevent any Disappointment,

should they have came the inward Passage, & prevents their proceeding far to the Southward; We therefore give to you this intimation, that any Ships designed hither may be aprized, & a sufficient number Consort together for their Security.

Your several indents will be complied with on the Ships, that proceed from hence for Great Brittain the end of this month, one of which will be ordered to call and take in the Pepper lying at Onore & we shall then give the necessary Answer to the Advices now before us, which the Suddenness of this occasion will not admit.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
THOS. WATERS
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICK.
GEO: DUDLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE
DECEMR. THE 2D. 1740
RECD. PR. SHYBAR
VIA CALLICUTT
DECR. THE 14TH. 1740.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Having this day repaired on board the Hoñble Company's ship Princess Louisa, accompanied by Mr. Isaac Ainsworth Gunner, in order to take a Survey of her Ammunition & Stores, I found them rather to exceed than fall short of the quantities stipulated by Charter Party, the ship being clear & in all respects within board in a fit Posture for Action, excepting that she wants six men of her Compliment.

I am
SIR & SIRS,
Your most Obedient & most Humble Servant
GEO: HAMILTON.

TELLICHERRY,
THE 15TH. DECR. 1740.
RECD. DO. DIE.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

On the 2d. Instant I wrote you by Mr. Garden, who I hope before this is safe arrived with you: About an hour past arrived a Shybar from Bombay, by which I rec'd a Letter from the Hoñble President and Council, Copy of which goes enclosed, and shall only add in relation to the Contents of it, that I shall take all the imaginable care, that the whole Quantity be in readiness against the Ships Arrival.

Since my last abovementioned I have not heard any thing in relation to the Country Governmt. but Angrias Fleet have been cruizing off this place for some days past, & I am informed that they are design'd to take a Trip down the Mallabar Coast.

As the Boat this goes by will be Dispatched immediately I can only beg leave to subscribe myself.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient & most Humble Servant
TS. PURNELL.

ONORE,
THE 9TH. DECR. 1740.
8 IN THE MORNG.
RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT
THE 15TH. DECR. 1740.

To Mr. Thomas Purnell
at Onore.

Sir,

The Packett from the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry accompanying your Letter of the 16th. October, reached us the 2d. Ultimo.

We have now only to recommend that the two hundred Candies of Pepper to be furnished by Hur Comity, with the three hundred Candies contracted for with him from hence, may be held in readiness to put on board the Ship, we intend to Order to take it in which will we hope arrive at your place by the 10th. Jan'ry next, & by her you will receive a Consignment of a Sum Sufficient to Defray this Engagement with the requisites of Gunny Bags & Weights.

We are

Bombay Castle,
the 1t. December 1740.
Recd. p Express Boat
Decr. the 15th. 1740.

Your Loving Friends,
Stephen Law.
Thos. Waters.
Jno. Geekie.
Jno. Morley.
W. Sedgwick.
Geo: Dudley.

To the Worshll. William Wake Esqr.

Sir,

Agreeable to your Order I have been on board the hoñble Company's Ship Princess Louisa, & find that she is in a capacity of fighting her Gunroom Guns.

I am

Tellicherry,
the 16th. Decr. 1740.
Recd. Do. Die.

Sir
Your most Obedient & most humble Servant
Robt. Castles.

To William Wake Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen,

A conveyance by a Munchua belongg. to Hur Comity offering, I now inclose Duplicates of my Letter of the 20th. Ultimo, what I wrote the President & Council, as also, my last of the 9th. Instant & the Presidents & Council's under the 1t. having had advice that the former Letter had not reached you on the 5th. past.

I have several times made enquiry about purchasing Pepper in this place, but now a days here is no body who deals in that Commodity but, Hur Comity, who buys up all that is to be had as far as Batacoly southward, & as far as the Carnatick Governmt. extends to the Northward, nor is there a Man belonging to this place as I know of that has a Candy to dispose of besides himself, & as he rents the exportation of it of the King, he has lately, & can at any time impede a Grain being sold even in a retail manner.

I have lately heard that there is a Cessation of Arms, between the King of Beddinure & his present Adversary Brama but what they are consulting of I cannot

tell. Angria's &c^{a}. Vessels are very numerous about this place, & have been so for some time past, which is all the news I have at present so shall only subscribe myself.

ONORE,
THE 17TH. DEC^{R}. 1740.
REC^{D}. ℔ MUNCHUA
JANRY 13TH. 1740/1.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient & most Humble Servant
T^{S}. PURNELL.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

As we have not had any ships call here to give us an opportunity of sending our Books of Acc^{ts}. &c^{a}. up to the President & Council of Bombay, we now send them by Emelia Sloop, wth. our Packett, w^{ch}. you'll please to forward by the first good conveyance bound up the Coast, & return the Emelia sloop to us again.

The Dutch having prevented our Shipping off our Honble Masters Goods at Coletche by giving their Fleet possitive orders to seize all Vessels bound to any Ports in Travencore, gives us a good deal of perplexity in getting the Investment up, & we are now obliged to try to bring them to Brinjohn, from whence there will be a risque in bringing them here. These unanswerable proceedings against our Nation is extream shocking for us to brook, but our Condition enables us to do nothing more than write & protest against them for all the Losses, Damages & Insults we receive from them. They now openly declare against us & tell us our Grants & Priviledges are illegal as the Government here had had first given the Trade of their Country to their noble Company, & that nothing else than the totall abandoning our Trade will oblige them to be our Friends.

In a few days we are to expect the Commodore of Cochin & all their forces this way; He gives out he intends for Coletche, & to land there, but we believe Attinga will receive their first fury, when you may easily judge what short Limits we shall be reduced to. In short this Settlement will be wholly Depriv'd of its Priviledges, & made of no use to our Honble Masters, if they cannot redress themselves by Force as indeed we presume there is such an appearance that the Pepper Trade can by no other means be preserved any where.

We sincerely wish you success in our Honble Master's affairs & are

ANJENGO,
JAN^{RY}. 6TH. 1740/1.

SIR & SIRS,
Your most humble Servants,
CHA'S WHITEHILL.
ROB^{T}. RAWDON.
THO^{S}. PATTLE.

P.S.

By the Emelia sloop we now return the four Military men that were left here sick last Season as ℔ List enclosed. They have, rec'd their pay to the 1^{t}. instant.

REC^{D}. ℔ EMELIA SLOOP
JANUARY 18TH. 1740/1.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

The 6th. Instant we remitted to you our Packet for the Presidency by the Emelia Sloop which we hope is safe arrived.

This is purposely to advise you that yesterday imported our Honble Masters Ship Nottingham Cap^{t}. Thomas Browne Commander from Great Brittain; She left Portsmounth the 20 June in company with the Hallifax & Cæsar, The former she

lost Company within a Gale of Wind since she left the Cape; As this ship will stay a couple of Days here to fill a little Water, & likely may call at Cochin for some Provisions, an early Advice of her Arrival may be of some service, & should there fortunately be an opportunity of any Boat going up the Coast, we think it our Duty to send this as you can advise the Presidency, who no Doubt are truly uneasy at not hearing of the ships by this Time. We are

ANJENGO,
JANRY YE. 16TH. 1740/1.

SIR & SIRS,
Your most Hble Servants

CHAS. WHITEHILL.
ROBT. RAWDON.
THOS. PATTLE.

RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT
JANRY THE 22D. 1740/1.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS,

The accompanying was intended to have been sent by these Ships the 29th. Ulto. when they were to have sailed, but from the intelligence then recd. of our Enemy Sambajee Angria's preparations & Designs, we were induc'd to delay their Departure & order the Royall Guardian in consort with our Vessels to cruize a Certain limited time, from which they return'd the 7th. Inst, in company with the Princess Louisa, Hertford Prince Edward & Poultney.

We now Dispatch the Mountague & Royall Guardian with the Calcutta Grab, & Prince of Wales Galley, the Latter of whom you may Detain till a Competent force joins for consorting hither.

In our last tis said that we are Doubtfull whether the Quantity of Salt Petre Laden on the Royall Guardian was to be reckoned into her Charter Party Tonnage but the Commander having since by an Instrument sign'd on the part of his Owners declared the same shall be on the Terms of low Freight, and therefore to be esteemed, exclusive thereof, so much the more Pepper will be wanted for compleatly filling her up which we mention for your Notice.

We have Directed the Ships to call at Onore for the Delivery of the Treasure to Mr. Purnell, and have Limited their stay not to exceed four Days & therefore have given Discretional Orders for the whole or such part of the Pepper lying there to be put on board as can be sent off within that time, of all which you will receive from him the necessary Information.

Our Gentlemen at Anjengo have by their Advices Seven hundred & fifty three Candies of Pepper in Warehouse, & make no Doubt but 5000 Pieces of Cloth would also be ready by January; As we cannot certainly know how long these ships may be in their passage or what time they may be necessitated to remain at your port, we resolved to leave entirely to your Determination, whither to Order their Proceeding thither for taking on board those goods or to give them their Ultimate Dispatch directly from you, in which we recommend you principally consult the point of time and the certainty of their afterwards gaining their Passage, which we would by no means have risqued or endangered, as it would be preferable the Goods remain at Anjengo, than their calling should be attended with such a Consequence.

The reasons & motives Deduced in your consultation of 26. Novemr. for affording the Prince assistance of rice & money appear to us very Cogent, & it seems to be the only measure that could be pursued in the then situation of the neighbouring Princes for securing to our Honble Master's a proper share in their produce of Pepper, we have but this to add, that our Honble Masters frequently Express their Dislike of heavy expences, it must be your care to see a stop put to this Charge, when it can with prudence be Effected & in the Interim we hope it may be kept within the sum specify'd; Let Copy of your said Consultation be transmitted home on these ships & in your Advices be very full & Clear with regard to the necessity there was for that Resolution.

Our Honble Masters in their Last Commands advise us of their Intentions to send a ship for China this season, we would have you take the Proper time for purchasing three hundred Candies of Sandall wood; if that bought last season is not Disposed of what remains, may be taken as part of this intended provision.

You must order half the Quantity of Cardamoms designed this year for England to be Laden on the Royall Guardian & the remainder to be hereafter sent on the Princess Louisa.

Having been dissapointed of sending Cotton on the Royall Guardian for to be sent Down to Bengall by the Calcutta Grab, you will receive the requisite Number of Bales on the Princess Louisa.

The Calcutta Grab has been supplied with Provisions for one Syrang one Tindal a Carpenter, five Topasses and Fourteen Lascars for Four months commenc^{g}. from the 29th. Dec^{r}. the Master & Mate have been paid Diet money for the like time, the Former at Twenty nine Rupees & the Latter fifteen ℔ Month; the master has allso received an Advance, of one months pay being Fifty four Rupees.

On board the Royall Guardian are Seven Six Pounder Guns for Anjengo, which should she not proceed thither must be rec^{d}. by you, & if the Calcutta Grab can carry them, they must be putt on board her or otherwise sent by some future Conveyance.

We would have you by these Shipping Transmitt our Honble Masters your Diary & Books of Accounts for last year with all other requisite Papers.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends

STEPHEN LAW.
THO^{S}. WATERS.
JN^{O}. MORLEY.
GEO: DUDLEY.
THO^{S}. MARSH.

BOMBAY
JANRY. THE 9TH. 1740/1.

P. S.
When the Galley returns Lade on her a Quantity of Timber & Plank as she may be able to take in.
REC^{D}. ℔ ROYALL GUARDIAN
JAN^{RY}. THE 22^{D}. 1740/1.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS,

Your several Advices under the 17th. & 18 Sep^{r}. 9th. & 11th. November have been already acknowledged receipt of; We shall now proceed to give reply to such points as require our notice.

Our Honble Masters ships Royall Guardian and Mountague now in Company proceed from this place, the former is to call at Onore for taking in the Pepper lying there, and for her safety the other has Directions to remain with her while she stays at that Port, and afterwards make the best of her way.

The Gentlemen at Anjengo wanting a large Quantity of Gun Powder to enable them to comply with their Engagements to the King of Travencore, which the Commanders of the Europe ships thought too hazardous to convey in them, and the Calcutta Grab being unfit for this Service, we are indispensibly oblig'd to return to Bengall, we have directed her sailing in Consort and that she take in the Gun Powder designed for Anjengo, and part of that to your place, as also some Bales of Cotton which goes consigned to you. After compleating her Delivery of what on board for your Factory, she is to go on to Anjengo in Company with the ships from whence she will be again returned, and you may employ her either in bringing rice from Mangulore, or in such other manner as you may think proper, 'till the season for Dispatching her to Bengall when you must reship the parcel of Cotton rec^{d}. by her & the Royall Guardian transmitting an Invoice thereof to the President & Council giving the Comm^{dr}. Orders for proceeding thither.

We have put on Board the Royall Guardian twenty six thousand Rupees for payment of the three hundred Candies contracted for from hence as also the necessary scales & weights, the whole amount whereof being Rup^{s}. 26090 q^{r}. 1 raes 52. We have Debted your Factory for & have directed M^{r}. Purnell to transmitt the requisite Accounts, that you may include the same in the invoice sent by you, so that the whole of this concern, will by this means appear on your Books.

We particularly notice the whole of your advices on the head of Pepper, & are greatly pleased the Quantity to be in readiness will be so considerable, as well as the likelyhood of the ensueing Crop being equal to the former & that should the War between the French & Boyanore not be ended in all Febry, you might have an opportunity of procuring what produced in his Country, which are mentioned as inducements to our Supply of Cash; we have therefore resolved on a Sum of One hundred & Sixty thousand Rupees, but as there is not at present Equal to that Amount in the Treasury of new Rupees you now only receive in part thereof Rup^{s}. 120000 & the rem^{dr}. hereafter. We doubt not of your best Endeavours being exerted on every occasion tending to encrease your Stock of that Commodity, w^{ch}. you may be assured nothing can be more agreeable to our Hoñble Employers.

The raising a small Work at Andola for the reasons alledged, and as you represent the same to be absolutely necessary we must therefore approve, but it must be your care to see that the Expence if possible does not exceed the Bounds Calculated.

We shall be glad to find the Person you intend to send to Penany may be able to adjust & obtain & a clearance of our depending Accounts with the Samorine, & wth. regard to procuring from him a Liberty for hoisting our Colours at Cota, & keeping a Topass Servant there; if it will be of any Service to secure the free Passage of that River or other Benefit may acrue therefrom & that it can be attained without any considerable Expence, you have our permission to put in Execution the Design.

The Chief having in his private Letter to the President requested Liberty to remitt home a Sum by Bill on the Hoñble Court of Directors, & the Attorneys of some other of the Gentlemen requesting a Like favour, we have agreed to give you a General License in future to draw on them at the rate of s. 2. d. 5. ℔ Rupee for such an amount as your Occasions may require Oath being made, that it is on your own proper Accounts.

By the Calculate enclosed you will perceive the Quantity of Tonnage now on Board the Royall Guardian to which is to be added the Pepper she may take in at Onore & as she has so large a proportion of Salt Petre as specified which we are uncertain whether our Hoñble Masters may reckon into Charter Tonnage, the Commander will probably be willing to have so much the more Pepper, & provided he in writing expressly declares the same shall be on the Terms of half Freight you are to let him have what he desires. The rem^{dr}. of his Tonnage being designed to be compleated at Anjengo, whereby the last Advices seven hundred Fifty three Candies of Pepper actually was in Warehouse & by the time this Ship reaches 5000 Pieces of Cloth would be in readiness, you must in course transmit hither Copy of the said Calculate, specifying also the increase made at Onore, & as you have a parcel of Onore Pepper now lying by you, it will be proper to cause the same to be included in the Quantity put on board this ship as it may be Stowed with that of the same Growth taken in at Onore.

We have been induced from many concurring reasons to alter our first Design for the Mountague leaving the Royall Guardian & therefore have Directed that the [*sic*] Continue in Company, & on no Account Separate in their homeward bound Voyage the Former of which being on Demorage we recommend all possible Expedition be exerted in their Dispatch to prevent our Honble Masters suffering by her Detension

We permitt you to grant the Commanders of those ships Certificates for whatever Sum they may pay into your Cash on Account of their Indulgences. We are

BOMBAY CASTLE
DECR. 20TH. 1740.

RECD. 22D. JANRY. 1740/1.
℔ ROYALL GUARDIAN.

SIRS
Your Loving Friends

STEPHEN LAW.
THOS. WATERS.
JNO. MORLEY.
GEO: DUDLEY.
THOS. MARSH.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

On the 15th. Inst. in the afternoon Arrived here Ships, Mountague, Royall Guardian &ca. by which last I receed two Letters from the President &ca. of wch. the accompanying are Copys, & I am very sorry that notwithstanding they have been detained here four days I have not been able to send on board more than two hundred forty Candies twelve Maunds & two Pounds of Pepper as ℔ the enclosed Invoice, which I can give no other reason for than Hur Comitys unwillingness to comply with his Contract & tho' I often times told him there would be money sufficient sent on the Ships to pay for the 300 Cas. I never yet could persuade him to keep it in readiness, & instead of which he has sold to my knowledge at several times upwards of a 100 Candies & it has been wth. a great deal of trouble I have got the above quantity of him whence I have taken on shore only 4000 ca: Md. lb.
Rups. to pay for the 40: 12. 2. he has delivered more than the 200 Cas. he was indebted as I do not think it the Companys Interest that he should be in their Debt, & more espescially as he has been for a long time & still remains in a very ill state of health. I offered to pay him immediately for the whole three hundred Candies & allow him the Customary freight to Deliver it at Tellicherry in a Month's time but he refus'd it which makes me suspect he has not the Pepper in readiness, or no mind to Deliver it.

I now return the Scales & Weights transmitted me from Bombay the List of which goes enclosd, & pleased to recive of Capt. Hoadly the 160 Empty Bags charg'd in the Invoice.

In case Hur Camoty will not Agree to Deliver the remr. of the Pepper on some terms or other, I shall in a few Days proceed to Mangulore as my staying at Onore any longer will be to no purpose.

I am

MERJEE
JANRY 20TH. 1740/1.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedt. & most Hble Servant

TS. PURNELL.

RECD. ℔ ROYALL GUARDIAN
JANRY. THE 22D.

P. S.
Inclosed is Capt. Hoadlys Bill of Lading & receipt for the Empty Baggs & sett of Weights & Scales.

To Mr. Thos. Purnell
at Onore.

Sir

This accompanys what was intended to have been sent you under the day of it's Date, but several incidents since intervening, our Ships Departure have been to this time delayd.

You were therein informed of the sum consignd for payment of the Pepper contracted for at your place wch. is contain'd in three Chests mark'd R G No. 28,29,30 & as it is highly necessary these ships shou'd meet with an early Dispatch off this Coast, we have Ordered their stay at Onore not to exceed four days. We therefore leave it to your Discretion either to cause the whole Quantity of Pepper, or such a part as can be sent off within that time to be Laden on the Royall Guardian forwarding Advice of the whole of your proceedure to the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry, agreeable to what we had before directed in the enclosed Letter.

Should you not be able to send the whole off within the time limited you may leave what remains in some person's Possession whom you can Confide in, to be delivered to our Order hereafter, tho' we are uncertain at present when a proper Conveyance will be furnished for its Transport & you may then go down on these Vessels to Tellicherry or remain at Onore as you may see best or otherwise as the Gentlemen may Direct.

We are
Sir
Your Loving Friends
Stephen Law.
Thos. Waters.
Jno. Morley.
Geo: Dudley.
Thos. Marsh.

Bombay Castle
Janry. 9th. 1740/1.
Recd. ℔ Royall Guardian
Jan: 22d.

To Mr. Thomas Purnell
at Onore.

Sir

We now Dispatch the Royall Guardian for Great Brittain & have given the Commander Orders to call & receive the Pepper you may have in readiness, the whole of wch. whether purchased by direction from the Chief & Factors or by Agreement from hence, you are to weigh & send on Board that ship for wch. purpose we have sent proper Scales with a number of weights as ℔ the enclosed List, & these you may either keep or reship them for Tellicherry, advising the Chief & Factors there accordingly that they may know whether to Demand them or not.

For the payment of the 300 Candies Pepper contracted for by us with Hur Camoty, we have put on Board this Ship 20000 Rups. consigned to the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry; The whole or such a part thereof as you may want you are to Land & appropriate to that service, transmitting to them the whole of your proceedure herein, with the Cost and Quantity Laden by you, with every other particular that they may Invoice the same to our Honble Masters home.

The Agreement with Hur Camoty is Twenty four Pagodas the Onore Candy of 520 Pounds to be delivered free of all Charges (package in Baggs excepted) wch. we mention for your Notice.

We are
Sir
Your Loving Friends
Stephen Law.
Thos. Waters.
Jno. Morley.
Geo: Dudley.
Thos. Marsh.

Bombay Castle
Decr. the 27th. 1740.
Recd. ℔ Royall Guardian
Janry. 22.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

My last to you was on the 17th. Ulto. since when I have had nothing Material to trouble you with; Two days ago I was advised by a person belonging to Hur Camoty of the death of Monachee Angria which happen'd by the Bite of a Snake as he was ordering a Mast to be taken out of a Banksall, of which wound he died soon after: His Brother, who is our Enemy they say has sent a strong force to take Possession of the Places he was master of, but I do not hear whether any Vessels have been sent from Bombay to oppose him, or any other particulars than the above.

I am sorry that I am obliged to inform you that ever since I have been here Hur Camoty has shewn so little regard to Comply with his Contract with the Governour &ca. and altho' I have used my utmost Deligence to have the whole Quantity of Pepper in readiness, I fear he will not be able to ship off more than 300 Candies from hence & as the ship's Arrival is very uncertain, he will not be at the Expence of bringing the Remainder Onore & Batacolay, where I know he has Pepper in Warehouses: He says that his Agreement is to Deliver any Quantity of it here at Onore or Batacolay according as suits his Conveniency & as I know not the Terms he Agreed upon I can not Contradict him in this particular, but in such case I suppose the Ship will be Ordered thither, or take in only what he can Deliver here.

Not having anything further to Communicate shall only beg leave to subscribe myself.

MERJEE — GENTLEMEN,
JANRY. THE 13TH. 1740/1. — Your most Obedt. & very Hum: Servant
RECD. THE 29TH. — TS. PURNELL.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

I have receed an Order from your Secretary desiring me to inform you in writing whether I can take in any more Pepper wch. I really cannot, & as I presume I have more than my Charter Party Tonnage, including my Kintlage, I request you'll please to let me have Copy of the Calculate of Tonnage of all I have to this day on Board & am with respect

TELLICHERRY, — SIR & SIRS,
JANRY. 30TH. 1740/1. — Your most Obedt. Humble Servant
RECD. DO. DIE. — HENRY HOADLY.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS.

I have receed your Protest with Copy of the Calculate of Tonnage sent you from Bbay, whence I perceive by the Latter that the Honble President & Council of Bbay have omitted to include the Kintlage of 78 Tons allow'd me by Charter Party, as well as the Salt Petre I took on Board there, which in the whole is above 171 Tons, & as I signed an obligation there on the part of my Owners to carry all such Salt Petre as was over & above my Charter party kintlage Goods, on the Terms of low Freight, I presume I have by a just Calculation 120 Tons more than

the ship is let out for to the Hoñble Company, & do'nt in the least Doubt but they will pay me full Freight accordingly, & to whom I shall submitt this affair & am with due Respect

TELLICHERRY,
JANRY. 30TH. 1740/1.

SIR & SIRS,
Your most Obedt. Hble Servant

RECD. DO. DIE.

HENRY HOADLY.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

Having by your Orders Survey'd this day the Hoñble Company's ship Royall Guardian, I found her Condition every way conformable to Charter Party in respect to Men Guns, Ammunition & Stores. I am with respect

TELLICHERRY,
JANRY. 31T. 1740/1.

SIR & SIRS,
Your most Obedt. & most hble Servant

RECD. DO. DIE.

GEORGE HAMILTON.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

My last to you was from Merjee ℔ ship Royall Guardian: Last night I arrived here from Onore which place I left on the 27th. past.

As Hur Camotys long Indisposition has hindered him some time from attending to Business I cannot give you any assurances when he will deliver the remainder of the Pepper he has Agreed for wth. the President &ca. tho' his Agent Govinda Cotte on my leaving Onore told me, that it should be delive'd to any ship that may be ordered to receive it at Batacolay & Onore, he having Advice eight or ten Days before the Vessels Arrival but from his late proceedings I fear this promise is not much to be depended upon, for till a Vessell is Arrived there he will not bring the Pepper out of the Country for fear of Accidents, & not being certain when any Vessel may come to receive it, which are the reasons he gives for not having more in readiness for the Royall Guardian.

After having paid Hur Camoty the Ballance of his Account I shall have remaining upwards of three thousand seven hundred Rupees, which or any part thereof I shall apply towards paying for the rice if there is occasion, as here is no Pepper remaining of the last years Crop, & the new is not yet fit to be weighed off; whence as I do not think my staying here on that account can Answer; I shall wait your Order for my removal & in the interim remain.

MANGULORE
THE 1T. FEBRY. 1740/1.

GENTLEMEN,
Your most Obedt. & most hble Servant.

RECD. ℔ SHYBAR.
FEBRY. THE 3D.

THOS. PURNELL.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS,

Our Hoñble Masters ship Princess Louisa we now Dispatch to your Port for compleating her Tonnage; the Quantity put on Board here you will perceive by the Enclosed Calculate, & what further required you must cause to be Laden in wch. we doubt not but your utmost Diligence will be exerted, as the lateness of the Season requires the greatest Dispatch.

After receiving the Treasure from her, being Rupees 60000 & the Commander having taken in the remainder of his Cargo you are then to Give him his Ultimate Orders for making the best of his way to S^{t}. Helena and from thence to Great Brittain.

We wrote you in our last that by this Ship we should send an additional number of Bales of Cotton for the Calcutta Grab's Lading to Bengall, but as she cannot conveniently take them in they will be sent by some future Conveyance.

The Letter from the Gov^{r}. & Council of Pondicherry enclosed in your Last we have taken the proper notice of & we forward Translate thereof with our Answer for your Information.

With regard to the Dutch Proposal for an Exchange of Deserters, we know not how far we might be warranted in such a Compliance, the severity of their Laws rendering them subject to immediate Death, we must therefore defer giving any direct Answer on this subject, till we at a time of more Leisure Consider the same, or receive our Hoñble Masters directions on that head.

We Enclose you several Paragraphs of our Hoñble Masters their Commands by the Princess Louisa relating to your Settlement w^{ch}. you must pay a strict Obedience to.

Our Land Paymasters Indent for Candles wanting for this Place accompanys this, which you must at the proper season provide & send up.

You must remember to send up immediately on closure of your Books annually, Abstracts of the Charges & Revenues of the Settlement, the method of Drawing out w^{ch}. we enclose you & let the same be Enter'd at the End of your Books.

We are
BOMBAY CASTLE
JAN^{RY}. 25TH. 1740/41.

SIRS
Your Loving Friends,
STEPHEN LAW.
JN^{O}. GEEKIE.
JN^{O}. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICK.
GEO: DUDLEY.

P. S.

You may receive from Cap^{t}. John Penson what Money he may have Occasion to pay into your Cash giving him Certificates for the same in the usual manner.

The Salt Petre laden on Board the princess Lousia being by Virtue of the Hoñble Companys Orders lately rec̃d reckoned into her Charter Party Tonnage, she may probably be capable of taking in a Surplus of Pepper w^{ch}. in such case you may furnish on the Commander's declaring in writing that it shall be carried at half Freight, according to the forms hitherto observed.

REC^{D}. ℔ PRINCESS LOUISA.
FEBRY. 5TH.

STEPHEN LAW.
JN^{O}. GEEKIE.
JN^{O}. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICK.
GEO: DUDLEY.

COPY. Sundry Paragraphs of the Hoñble the Court of Directors their Commands dated the 28th. March 1740 ℔ Princess Louisa rec^{d}. at Bbay, Jan^{ry}. 7th. 1740/1 ℔ said Ship Relating to Tellicherry Factory.

Paraph. 40th. And on Tellicherry and Anjengo falling short of the Quantity of Pepper requisite for our Service you will do well to disperse our money on other Parts of the Coast where it can be done with safety & upon moderate reasonable terms, conformable to our Directions by the Nassau; By a peace with the Canarees resort may be had wth. success at Onore & the price come more favourable, sending a Covenant Servant to reside on the Spot, or to make a proper Enquiry seems to us very proper on such an Emergency, but of this you are competent Judges.

By the Presidents & Seconds positive Directions left with the Chief & Council of Tellicherry, to get out of the Quarrel wth. the Canarees in the best manner the [*sic*] could we hope that peace soon ensued, & that in consequence thereof Our charges there would be considerably curtail'd. Our Servants at that place must make it their constant study to keep Neuter & unconcern'd in any fresh Quarrells that may break out among the Mallabar Chiefs, unless our Property should be invaded, & bend their minds to our sole Concern, which is the securing a Large Quantity of pepper annually on moderate Terms.

Para. 61. We entirely approve of covering our Buildings at Tellicherry with Tiles instead of Cajans to prevent the fatal Consequences of Fire to our pepper Warehouses, & other Buildings.

66. We acquiesce in the four hundred and Thirty two Rupees given at Tellicherry to the sufferers by Fire.

94. John Braddyll Esq^{r}. who was formerly our Chief at Tellicherry having represented to us that Domingo Rodrigues our present head Linguist there, has acted in that Station for Seventeen years, with such Integrity and Attachment to our Interest that he highly deserves our Notice; We having taken the same into Consideration & being always ready to encourage such who behave well in our Service, We have sent him a Diamond Ring of about One hundred and twenty Pounds Value in the Nottingham's Packet which must be presented in our name to said Domingo Rodrigues.

Attested to be a true Copy.

Rec^{d}. ℔ Princess Louisa. Sam : Price
Febry. the 5th. *Sec^{ry}.*

To William Wake Esq^{r}.
Chief &c^{a}. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

Tons

The Quantity of Pepper I have taken in here being 55. 817 dec^{s}. compleating my Charter party Tonnage I request you will send on board as much Pepper computed to be 85 Tons & I do hereby in the part & on Behalf of my Owners declare such Surplus Tonnage so Laden shall be deliver'd to the Hoñble the Court of directors of the United English East India Company or to their Order at half Freight.

Tellicherry, I am
Feb^{ry}. 9th. 1740/1. Sir & Sirs,
Rec^{d}. D^{o}. Die. Your most Obed^{t}. Hum : Servant
Jn^{o}. Pinson.

To the Worship^{ll}. Chief & Council
for the Honble United East India Company
at Tellicherry.

Whereas your Humble Petitioner not knowing the due form of paying in Cash to the hoñble Company & having inadvertently neglected the same, we Beg the favour you would be pleased to take it to your Consideration & receive our Cash on the same Acc^{t}. the regular form may admitt of.

We are
Tellicherry, Sirs
Feb^{ry}. 9th. 1740/1. Your most Obed^{t}. hble Servants
Rec^{d}. D^{o}. Die. Philip D'Auvergne
Heron Poney.
Sam : Falconer.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Having by your Orders survey'd this day the Hoñble Company's Ship Princess Louisa I found her condition every way conformable to Charter party in respect to Men Guns & Ammunition I am with respect.

TELLICHERRY
FEBRY THE 11TH. 1740/1.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt & most Humble Servant

RECD. DO. DIE.

WILLM. WEST.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

On the 4th. Inst. came to hand your two Lettrs under the 22d. & 23d. Ulto. by the Express Boat.

We have lately taken into Consideration the prqbable Demands of our hoñble Masters for the Article of Pepper & the Stock wch. from our Calculate must remain with you after the Dispatch of the several Ships this Season. The likelyhood there is by the news recēd over land of a continuance of the War in Europe & the uncertainty of what Quantity of Tonnage the hoñble Company will employ in so precarious & disturb'd a Situation of Affairs, wth. the excessive Price that Commodity bears thro' the Number of Purchasers at the out parts We are inclined to Direct that provided you are certain of procuring as far as Two thousand five hundred Candies of Pepper out of the produce of the Countries round your Settlement of the new Crop, that then you decline making any Contracts at Onore or other parts on the Coast. but should you meet with any impediments or Dissapointments in securing to the Amount above specified, you must then have recourse to other Marketts, at the same time attending to the Cautional intimations & Price fix'd in Ours by the Harrington the 13th. of Febry last.

BOMBAY CASTLE
FEBRY. THE 7TH. 1740/1.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends

RECD. ℔ SHYBAR
THE 17TH.

STEPHEN LAW.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICKE.
GEO: DUDLEY.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

On the 6th. Instt. we recēd your Letter of the 31t. Ulto. by the Calcutta Grab, who arrived here in Company wth. the Royall Guardian; The latter sailed in company wth. the Mountague the next day for Great Brittain.

We have recd. the Guns from Capt. Beck wth. every thing agreeable to Invoice & now return him to you; The Amount of the Charges landing the Guns

	rups.	qr.	raes
wth. you and reshipping	18	1.	60

shall be paid to Mr. Whitehill.

The 4th. Inst. the Comr. of Cochin wth. 7 large ships & as many small Vessels wth. their Land Forces on Board pass'd in the offing about 4 Leagues distance & stood to the Southward, & yesterday we heard they had Landed just to the Northward of Quiletche, & hoisted their Colours in three places nigh each other; There was little or no opposition made to hinder their Landing tho we hear the king is raising his Forces instantly to attack them, but from his Actions hitherto we have very little reason to judge it true.

The King of Quilone wth. Vanjamuttan Poola is now at Irue with their Forces & some Artillery of the Dutch, but as there is no Body of that Nation with them, Attinga seems not to be under any great Concern of being hurt, but we wish there may be no ill designs fram'd from the people hereabouts as it must be so great a prejudice to our Honble Master's affairs with us should the King lose that place.

ANJENGO,
FEBRY THE 11TH. 1740/1.
RECD. ℔ CALCUTTA GRAB THE 23D.

We are
SIR & SIRS,
Your most humble Servants,

CHAS. WHITEHILL.
ROBT. RAWDON.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOS. LANE.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The Calcutta Grab having receed some damage on her hauling ashore at Bombay presently after became leaky & has encreased ever since, till now she is so bad, that the people are constantly pumping night & day, and can hardly keep above Water. I humbly request you'll please to Order the Honble Company's Cotton to be taken out of the Vessel, I presume She being unfitt to proceed to Bengall without the most imminent Danger in her present Condition.

I am
SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humble Servant

JOHN BECK.

TELLICHERRY
FEBRY. 23D. 1740/1.
RECD. DO. DIE.

TO THE WORSHIPLL. WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

Agreeable to your Orders we went on Board the Calcutta Grab Capt. John Beck & by our Observations say as follows. The Cotton abaft impeded our Scrutiny so much as we wish'd for. We cannot say that we saw any thing forward, or can account for her making Water there, but from her making so much as ten Inches in half an hour, we think she cannot proceed in her Voyage wth. safety without being looked into, for if in moderate Weather she makes thus much, we may reasonably conjecture an increase of wind will make her make much more; This is all that we know & are incapable of adding more than we are wth. great respect.

SHIP ANN
FEBRY. 27TH. 1740/1.
RECD. DO. DIE.

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Yr. most Obedt. humble Servant[s].

SAM: ALLEN.
JAMES STIRLING.

To William Wake Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

The Nottingham brought us your Advices of the 5^th^. Ultimo, she in company with the Prince of Wales importing the 23^d^. & we shall by another opportunity reply thereto.

The ship we are unlading with the necessary Expedition & intend to Lade on her about 130 Tons Salt Petre, 30 of Red Wood, Forty four of Bengall piece Goods & after adding 15 priviledge and five for S^t^. Helena, We compute she will require about 900 Candies of Pepper to compleat her Tonnage w^ch^. Quantity we would have you hold in readiness to put on Board, & the Commander is then to be Directed to make the best of his way to Great Brittain.

Should the Hallifax have touch'd at your Port we Doubt not your Caution to see she came Consorted with a sufficient force to oppose the Enemy; We shall, should she arrive in time instantly dispatch her to Bengall, pursuant to our hoñble Master's Orders, & we must remind you that some Pepper will also be wanted for her.

From the uncertainty of the Godolphin's timely Arrival to save her Passage to China, & that her coming up hither will be a means of retarding her return we would have you on her reaching you fully consider the probability there is of her being able to effect it & afterwards proceed on her destined Voyage, & provided you think the same would be attended with any risque or Dissapointment, you must cause her to be unladed, & We shall hereafter send down such Goods as we have provided in part of her Cargo, & give the necessary Directions thereupon, but you must remember to forward us the quickest Notice of your resolutions in this matter.

M^r^. Massey of the Pembroke informs us that after leaving Tellicherry w^th^. the Nottingham & Galley finding his ship to go ill, the Commander of the Nottingham was for parting from him & the rest of the Convoy, & it was w^th^. difficulty he prevail'd upon him to see them into Goa, where luckily were our Cruizers, who put in there by order after having seen the Princess Louisa so low as Mangulore, & tho' the Vessels came out of that Port in company so imprudent was the Commander of the Europe Ship as to Separate from them & proceed up the Coast w^th^. the Prince of Wales Galley alone without any shadow of reason, as no manner of Delay would have incurred, the other Vessels arriving the very day he did.

When he left your Port, we believe you thought the other Vessels necessary for their mutual Defence & we cannot but Agree in the same opinion, but his afterwards leaving them might from the Considerableness of the Enemys Force have been attended w^th^. the worst of Consequence & as we presume our Hoñble Masters had Better submitt to the Expence of a few days Demorrage than run such apparent risque, We lay it down as a standing Order to be Observed in future that no Ship of theirs be permitted to leave Tellicherry without the previous advice and consent of the Chief & Factors & they to give the Commander such Order as they judge proper, to w^ch^. by the enclosed Letter you will perceive a strict Obedience is required.

On a reconsideration of the Importancy of our hoñble Master's Ship Godolphin's China Voyage & that the Hallifax will of a necessity touch at your Port for taking in the Pepper designed to Bengall, we think it best to send on her such Articles as are intended for China, should we not in the Interim be advised by you or other ways have reason to think the other ship is on her way hither, nor can we see any Detriment can accrue to our Hoñble Masters from that measure as should the Godolphin actually arrive here, she will be obliged to return to you for taking in Pepper & Sandall wood & receiving the other Goods will not cause any considerable Detension.

And as we may naturally suppose if that Ship setts out late from England our Hoñble Masters will give some provisional Directions to your Settlement w^th^. regard to her future proceeding but should that not be the case, the Packet for

this place may for your Guidance be opened by the Chief & Second & so far as relates to the Ship communicated to the rest of Council after wch. the several Papers must be carefully sealed up, & the other parts of the Letter remain in due Secrecy. We are

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 3D. MARCH, 1740/1.

SIRS
Your Loving Friends

STEPHEN LAW.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICKE.
GEO: DUDLEY.

RECD. THE 9TH. BY EXPRESS BOAT.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We arrived here upon the Winchester the 15th. Augt. wth. Orders from the Honble Court of Directors to take charge of the Royall Guardian & Dispose of her Mallabar Cargo & set the Europe investment on foot immediately for that ship & the Duke of Dorset, We remained in Daily expectation of the Royall Guardian till the month of Sepr. was expired, the Season being the most favourable of any that has been known for ships coming upon the Coast of China but we have no news of her to this day except what a French ship the beginning of October that it was reported at Malacca she was detained at Bombay wch. we cannot tell how to give credit to as your Honr. &ca. or the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry would certainly have sent us advice if any Accident had happened to detain her, as several ships have arrived this year at Maccao from Surat & the Coast of Mallabar. We rather think by some accident she has been put by her Port.

The Honble Court of Directors were pleased to acquaint us that they had given Orders to Bombay and Tellicherry to take care that said ship was Dispatched so as to gett off the Mallabar Coast in all the month of April as they should reckon upon her return from hence Directly & take their measures accordingly, & in obedience to their Commands we did (upon the assurances we gave the Merchts. that such a ship would be dispatched to us) secure a proper Cargo for her upon very good terms in the early season, & receiving no Advice that said ship was detain'd we could not answer releasing them from their Contracts, untill they lost the opportunity of disposing of their Goods otherways by wch. the Merchts. are severe Sufferers.

The Princess Emelia arrived here the 1t. Sepr. she came out of England wth. the Duke of Dorset, but parted wth. her near the Line, & since We have no news of her.

We must tarry here untill the next Year to wait the Arrival of both Ships & in compliance to our honble Masters Directions shall make a timely provision for them.

We beg your Honr. &ca. will be pleased to dispatch the Royall Guardian early to us, as her Cargo will be likely to sell the better if she arrives before any Country ship & we shall Endeavour to give her an early Dispatch from hence.

The Silver wch. is to make her stock up Rups. 24000 we desire may be Mexico & New Dollars rather than old as being most in esteem here. We are

CANTON
NOVR. 3D. 1740.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

EDWARD PAGE.
JOHN HODGSON.

P.S.

Enclosed is a Price Current of India Commodities at Canton.

The Price that is expected Goods may bear at Canton Anno 1741.

	fans.
Pepper	9 @ 10 ℔ Pecull.
Sandall Wood	11.
Tin	14.
Cotton	7. 5 @ 8.
Putchuck if very good	40.
Olibanum	8.
Myrrh	18. @ 20.

RECD. PR. MACCAO SHIP.
MARCH THE 28TH. 1741.

OUR CHIEF AND COUNCIL
AT TELLICHERRY.

1. This comes by our Ship Godolphin Capt. Francis Steward Commander who is consigned to Bombay but Ordered first to touch at Tellicherry.

2. We have put on board sundry Goods & Merchandize as ℔ Abstract of the Invoice enclosed. In case you stand in need of any Articles the Commander is order'd to deliver them on your demanding the same; Upon so doing be sure to give an exact Account of the Particulars to Bombay.

3. The Godolphin's stay at Tellicherry must not exceed five days & the Commander is ordered to take under his Convoy such English Country Ships or Vessels as are ready to proceed up the Mallabar Coast, whereof you will do well to give them previous Notice that so they may reap the Benefit.

4. This ship is to be sent from Bombay to Canton & return'd to us directly from thence so that you must secure for us all the Sandall Wood that's procurable against her return from Bombay to Tellicherry in her way to China.

5. We propose that the Godolphin shall be fill'd up wth. pepper at your place, provision therefore must be made accordingly & also for our other ships by securing all you can without enhancing the Price.

6. In case this ship should have a Long Passage & not arrive in time wth. you to go up to Bombay & return in time to save her Passage to Canton, whereof you will be able upon Consulting wth. the Commander to Judge, We direct that you take on shore all her Europe Cargo, & land the Military at your place, & Load on board her a Cargo of Pepper & Sandall wood upon our Account, wth. so much Bullion as shall make her Cargo amount in the whole to 24000 Rups. & Consign the same by Invoice & Bill of Lading to such Supra Cargoes as we shall appoint to take charge thereof, by our ships Bound to Canton this ensueing Season & give the Commander sailing Orders accordingly, who is directed for that purpose to obey them, as ℔ Copy of his instructions inclosed: for the future We will not interfere wth. your Trade to China & therefore we shall only require Pepper & Cotton for the ships to be sent from your Coast to China.

7. Our Packet to Bombay must in that case be forwarded to Bombay by the next Conveyance that offers.

8. We have Detected some Woolen and other Goods which were attempted to be ship'd clandestinely on this ship, however We have reason to suspect that several Illicit Goods are got on Board notwithstanding our utmost Endeavours to prevent the same & therefore on her Breaking Bulk at your place you must make the strictest Enquiry in order to discover them & all private Goods and Merchandize that are not inserted in the Enclosed Copy of her Manifest must be seized and forfeited to our use.

9. Our Yatcht sent in October last as an Advice Boat to S^{t}. Helena, Arrived from thence the 16th. July; She left the Island the 30th. April when the Nine following ships were at that place arriving there at the times undermentioned Viz^{t}.

January	27th.	Ship Defence	Captain Coates.
March	11	Brittannia	Somner.
	21	Lynn	Gilbert.
	22	Grantham	Hale.
April	2d.	Augusta	Townshend.
	20th.	Houghton	Worth.
	22	Walpole	Boddam.
	27th.	Marlborough	Smith.
	29	Shaftesbury	Bookey.

10. The Ship Harrington was dispatched from Canton the 31^{t}. October for Bombay.

11. The War wth. Spain continues just in the same situation as it was by our last Advices.

We are
Your Loving Friends

SAM : FEAKE.
H. GOUGH.
W. ROUS.
W. BILLERS.
WM. GOSSELIN.
SAM : HYDE.
RICHD CHAUNCEY.
CHR. BURROW.
RICHD. BLOUNT.
R. DRAKE.
JOHN EMMERSON.
J. WINTER.
J. RAYMOND.
D. BRADDYLL.
W. RIDER.
R : DRAKE.
ALEX : HUME.
JOHN HOPE.

LONDON
THE 23D. JULY 1740.
RECD. ℔ GODOLPHIN
MARCH 28TH. 1741.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Thirty nine of the Hoñble Company's Soldiers having been Landed on shore from the Godolphin, of which ship I have the honour to be Surgeon (by the Decease of Mr. Oliver Knox Surgeon) I humbly request that you Gentlemen will please to Order me the usual allowance for each man as appointed by the Hoñble Company.

I have the honour to be with great respect

TELLICHERRY
APLL. 3D. 1741.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble Servant
WILL : CUNNINGHAME.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

It is some time since I last wrote you not having lately had any thing Material to trouble you with; This is to advise you that I have contracted wth. several Merchts. of this place for 82 Candies of Pepper to be delivered here & at Manjaseer,

& tho' here has been very little demand for Pepper since the new Crop came in I have not been able to get it for less than Twenty Eight Pagodas & a Quarter or Ninety Eight Rupees Seven eighths ℔ Candy of Five hundred & sixty pound nor will they sell any more at that price at present, being in expectation of putting it off to a better advantage to any Vessels that may call here before the Rains sett in.

Please as soon as you conveniently can to send a Conveyance for the above Pepper with 10000 Rup^{s}. to pay for it & what may further offer, in purchasing w^{ch}. in the cheapest manner my best Endeavours shall not be wanting.

I am with respect

MANGULORE
THE 30TH. MARCH 1741.

GENTLEMEN,
Your most Obed^{t}. & most Hble Servant
THOMAS PURNELL.

here is no Advice of any Enemies.
REC^{D}. ℔ TONEY
AP^{LL}. 5TH.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

The accompanying is what should have been sent the day of its Date, but the weather threatning the Munchua did not proceed; Yesterday I receĎ yours of 18th. past the Contents of w^{ch}. shall be comply'd wth. as well as in my power if Hur Camoty will send down the Pepper, but his refusing to Deliver it here or at Tellicherry upon Freight when I tendered him the money at Merjee makes me think he do's not design to perform his Contract & the Hoñble Company will be served only when he cannot put it off elsewhere. The Chief's Letter I forwarded this morn^{g}. & wrote him that I would alow him 5 ℔ cent for the Risque hither, w^{ch}. I am inform'd has been given tho' a Custom very seldom made use of. I could not send Ventura as most of the Pepper I have agreed for is to be Delivered at Manjaseer & I have no Body to supply his place.

The Salt that is generally brought hither is from Goa, & here has lately arriv'd a large Quantity from thence wth. the Frigatas, w^{ch}. has considerably lower'd it's Value, whence I would not have you send any wth. a view of getting a price for it here as I am told it will not do on any Account nor will they look upon it when there is any other to be gott.

Please to send a Conveyance for the Pepper as soon as possible w^{ch}. is all I have to add at present but subscribe myself

MANGULORE
THE 1^{T}. AP^{LL}. 1741.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obed^{t}. & most hum: Servant
THO^{S}. PURNELL.

P.S.

Since copying the above I have adjusted wth. Custea Senays people of Manjaseer for 40 Candies of Pepper whence please to augment the Sum to 14000 Rup^{s}.

T^{S}. PURNELL.
REC^{D}. THE 5TH.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

On the 10th. Inst. I receĎ your Letter of the 6th. with the 14000 Rupees therein mentioned w^{ch}. I shall apply towards paying for what pepper I have hitherto agreed for w^{ch}. is now about 157 Candies & have hopes of getting a further

quantity in case the French man that arrived here yesterday does not exceed the price I am limited; please to send me 4000 Rup^{s}. more on this Acc^{t}. & Conveyances to take away what is in readiness.

The Pattamar I sent to Onore is not yet return'd & I have lately heared that Hur Camoty is gone to Bednure; What you mention in relation to my not Engaging wth. him in any new Contract till he has complied wth. his present, I shall duely observe.

The Cooleys have had two Bales and Two Fanams for their Expences, & the two Topasses that now return are paid their diet to the 14th. Instant. I am with respect.

MANGULORE
APL^{L}. THE 13TH. 1741.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
T^{S}. PURNELL.

REC^{D}. ℔ TONEY THE 14TH.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

Yesterday by Boat I rec^{d}. your Letter of the 13th. Inst, wth. the 5000 Rup^{s}. therein mentioned, w^{ch}. with the 14000 formerly rec^{d}. I have hopes of investing in Pepper, as the Quantity I am promised is now about 180 Candies, & in case I should have occasion for a further supply of money, you shall be advised.

The Pattamar sent to Onore is return'd & brings Advice that Hur Camoty is at Bednure, & that his Agent has rec^{d}. a Letter by Shybar from Bombay, wherein he is inform'd that a Ship from thence will shortly be orderd down to take in the rem^{r}. of the Pepper w^{ch}. is all he mentions of it.

I am weighing off what Pepper is to be ship'd from hence w^{ch}. when done shall Freight it to you on such Vessels as can be got here in w^{ch}. I do not apprehend there will be any risque as to Enemies it being now so late in the Season, & shall send two Topass Soldiers on each Vessel according to your former Directions.

MANJASEER
APL^{L}. 19TH. 1741.

I am
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
THO^{S}. PURNELL.

The Cooleys have rec^{d}. 1 Bale rice & 1 Fanam for their Expences.

REC^{D}. ℔ TONEY THE 20TH.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A} FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

Yesterday arrived here your Letter of the 21^{t}. Inst. by Boat wth. 3000 Rup^{s}. wth. w^{ch}. I shall proceed this afternoon to Mangulore where I hope to find the Munchua you mention to have dispatched to me; The sum I have receed 22000 Rup^{s}. I Believe will be fully sufficient to pay for what Pepper I can procure this Season.

The Munchua carries 316 Robbins or 79 Cand^{s}. of Pepper, upon 18 Cand^{s}. of w^{ch}. there will be a deduction for being less in weight, w^{ch}. I shall duely Acc^{t}. for. The Freight will be about half a Pagoda ℔ Candy. Please to order the Robbins to be open'd & dried & return the Munchua as soon as possible whose

people have rec^{d}. what is customary, therefore you need not pay them anything.

The Buoys and Ropes of the money Chests I returned on the 19th. Inst. as I shall that you last sent when the Boat returns. I am

MANJASEER

GENTLEMEN

APL^{L}. 26TH. 1741.
REC^{D}. ℔ MUNCHUA THE 27TH.

Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
THO^{S}. PURNELL.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

Your several Advices of the 12th. Febry, Duplicates of those of the 12th. & 15th. March (the Express Boat w^{ch}. had the Original of the first being taken by the Malivans, & the ship Mary by whom you sent the other is not yet arrived) and that of the 30th. are come to hand wth. the Packet from our hoñble Masters rec^{d}. by the Godolphin.

We are extremely pleased the discretional Orders given from hence wth. regard to that ships proceeding up the Coast were so agreeable to our hoñble Masters Sentiments contain'd in their Commands & as the time of her Arrival was certainly too late to admitt of her coming hither wth. any probability that she could afterwards return & save her Passage, you acted entirely right in detaining her.

By the Nottingham and Hallifax who now proceed, the one under Dispatch for Great Brittain & the other to Bengall & Madrass we have Laden a parcell of Cotton & some Olibanum the Quantity Cost and Charges of w^{ch}. will appear in the Invoices sent you designed to be sent on the Godolphin for the China Market w^{ch}. you are accordingly to tranship & put on Board her also the 300 Sandall Wood & more if procureable, but considering your advices & the uncertainty you are under of not being able to procure of the ensueing Crop of Pepper 2000 Candies wth. the quantity now remain^{g}. & as we know not what ships we may have to provide for the next Season we therefore think you ought not to part wth. more to the Godolphin than 400 Can^{s}. w^{ch}. you're to Lade. After these several Articles are rec^{d} you are to add to the Amount in Bullion so much more as will make the ship's Stock 240000 Rupees consigning the same by Invoice & Bill of Lading to the Supra Cargoes in China, & the Commander in his sailing instructions must be ordered to proceed in the manner prescrib'd in our Hoñble Masters Commands to your Settlement.

ca^{s}.

We some time since gave Directions to provide some Putchuck, Myrrh & Rose Malloes, but the two last were not procureable and it was but lately the Gentlemen at Surat could Contract for any Putchuck; What they may receive we have sent the Gentlemen Orders to consign to you by any ship bound down the Coast, and should it reach you in time, you must see it be put on Board the Godolphin; Our Computation of the Charge & Stock of that Ship we now enclose for your Notice.

The Nottingham has rec^{d} certain Goods here in part of her Cargoe, as you will perceive by the Calculate of her Tonnage herewith Transmitted, and what remains you are to make up with Pepper, after w^{ch}. you are to give the Commander his final Dispatches for Great Brittain.

We have also sent on these ships 100 Bales of Cotton for the Cargo of the Calcutta Grab for Bengall which you must consign to the President & Council there & at the same time forward to them the Amount Charges of the Vessell while wth. you, as we have done of what incurred during her stay here.

We have taken into Consideration the reasons inducing you to consent to a Loan to the Achamars of Randotarra to be repay'd in five years together wth. the Ballance before due from them, for the punctual performance whereof they had Mortgag'd the Revenues of their Country, the Situation of w^{ch}. being favourable for the Growth of Pepper & from whence large Quantities have been procured, & that a Compliance would Attach them to our Honble Masters as well as obedience to the Prince, who it is confessedly our Interest to support, & as the Sum requested is design'd to be appropriated for the Cultivation their Lands we may hope the Produce of Pepper will proportionably encrease so we cannot but approve of that Measure.

Our honble Masters by the Nottingham sent us a Diamond Ring, w^{ch}. they direct should be presented in their Names to Domingo Rodriguez the late Linguister, which we now forward in this Packet & doubt not but this particular mark of their favour will excite his Warmost Zeal in their Service.

As you Represent the want of another assistant to carry on the business of your Factory we approve of your detaining M^{r}. Ellis.

The two Prisoners send up for the murder of the Corporal will be proceeded against in due course of Law & their Trial is over the Serjeant & others who came up as Evidences shall according to your Desire be returned to you.

We have by these Conveyances complied as near as possible wth. your several Indents, but that referred to in your Letter of the 12th. Ultimo No. 5. from the miscarriage that has attended the Boat is not come to hand, & consequently we cannot Judge what you want, but as the referring to Former Indents is not so clear & only tends to Create mistakes, we would have you in future frame your Indents to contain the Quantities then actually wanting; The Pitch & Tar required in that of the 20th. of May you may supply yourselves out of what receḋ from the Godolphin.

And this Leads us to remark that by the Accident of the Boat's being seized we are depriv'd of your Books of Accounts for the last year; We Believe indeed the number of ships on Dispatch from your place lately has greatly encreased your Business, & may be some reason why they were not sooner ready but as you are sensible how strict our Honble Masters Orders are in this regard we must enjoin you to see they are constantly kept up in future & sent us by the earliest good Conveyance, & we cannot help saying the Transmission had better been deferred as some ships were expected than risqued by so precarious an occasion, as thro' this failure we cannot adjust wth. your Factory.

For the reasons given in yours of the 12th. March for deviating from our Directions with regard to the purchases of Pepper, we must of course submit to, in order to prevent the ill Consequences otherwise to be expected.

We shall suspend our Judgements with regard to the French's Proceedings till we hear what measures those now appointed in the Direction pursue, which we hope will be more steady, & for the Benefit of both Nations.

The insult offer'd you at Mattamy point thro. the Prince's rebellious Subjects ought not to pass wth. impunity tho' we are pleased to find that our people behav'd wth. such resolution, & you must endeavour at obtaining from the Government, ample justice on the Offenders.

The Expence you have hitherto been obliged to afford the Prince we are glad has been within the Bounds propos'd & can only recommend the same care & Caution, as the sole End of our acquiescing thereto, was to preserve to our honble Masters the Benefit of their Trade & doubt not of your Circumspection to make the Charge as small as possible.

We enclose to you two Indents from our Superintendant of the Marine & Land Pay master w^{ch}. we would have you comply with.

The Deficiency in the Stores rec^{d}. by the Calcutta Grab, we called upon Cap^{t}. Jacobs to render an Acc^{t}. of; his Answer we now enclose you & as you write he had pass'd Receipts for the several Articles, we must leave the Adjustment to you on the spot, as he takes passage in one of these Ships for Bengall.

The Departure of these Ships having been unavoidably protracted thro' the Intelligence we had of Sambajee's w^{ch}. the absence of our Fleet who were detain'd by the Vice Roy of Goa oblig'd us to employ on a Cruize here, and the Rem^{dr}. of the Pepper contracted from hence still remaining at Onore. We have sent a Black Person from hence to see the same weigh'd and held in readiness for the Ships, the Amount whereof we have given in charge to Cap^{t}. Brown of the Nottingham being Rup^{s}. 23000 w^{ch}. he is to pay for as he receives, and have Limitted his stay there [*lucuna*] Days & of w^{ch}. he is to render an Acc^{t}. to you that you may Invoice the same & the whole appear on the Books of your Factory.

And here we must acquaint you that on reconsidering the Lateness of the Season, that probably the Hallifax's calling at Anjengo for receiving 600 Can^{s}. of Pepper may be attended wth. some hazard in her getting afterwards of the Coast we have esteem'd it most eligible to leave to you the filling her up directly or Ordering her thither as the Chief from his knowledge & Experience of that Port must be the best Judge of the practicableness thereof, & tho we should be glad the Pepper were conveyed from thence yet we think it had better remain than subject the ship to apparent Risque, & in case of the Hallifax's being Dispatched from your Port you may as you propose let the Pepper be taken from Callicutt & you must forward Copy of Invoice & Bill of Lading to Madrass as well as Bengall that the President &c^{a}. at the former place may if they see proper take ashore any part of the Cargo.

The supply of small Copper Coin you request is not in our power to Comply with as we have none of that Metall being ourselves Destitute of sufficient for the Currency of our own Island.

M^{r}. George Jenkinson who some time ago proceeded to Byapore for Trying the Experriment of distilling Arrack there, & having produced Samples w^{ch}. seem of a good spirit & Flavour, we entered into the enclosed Contract wth. him, the performance of which by the Tenour of the Agreement will principally rest upon you on the part of our hoñble Masters w^{ch}. you must see duely executed & the Arrack kept up to the Standard of what sent now under Seal, & the Amount of what he Delivers must be paid by you.

The Cardamoms you have rec^{d}. may be put on Board the Nottingham & wth. regard to the price of that Article as we have no directions from our hoñble Masters, but as to Quantity, we can only recommend your purchasing on the best Terms possible till we receive their further Orders.

Our hoñble Masters having sent us a List of Certain of their Servants who have not executed Covenants & given security since they were writers, among whom are Mess^{rs}. Jeynson & West, We send you Covenants enclosed w^{ch}. must be executed & return'd the Company & their Friends must give security in England.

After the Nottingham has rec̃ed her Tonnage you must put on Board as much more Pepper as the Commander shall Desire he requesting for it in writing & declaring the Freight to be according to the Terms prescribed by our hoñble Masters w^{ch}. is half Freight.

The Commander of the Hallifax being willing to leave a large Quantity of Gun Powder as not knowing what may happen on the Coast, we have put on Board ten Barrells w^{ch}. are in the Invoice and must be rec̃ed by you

We are
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JN^{O}. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICKE.
GEO: DUDLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE
APRIL. THE 17TH. 1741.
REC^{D}. ℔ NOTTINGHAM THE 30TH.

To William Wake Esq^R.
Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

Since closure of our Letter under this Date we have considered the lateness of the Season & the unavoidable delay that must attend the ships calling at Onore & therefore we have alterd that Design & the [*sic*] come directly to your Port; The money we had put Board to pay for the Pepper will be delivered you & if you can secure the same from Hur Camoty we would have you do so & Discharge the Am^t. w^ch. will save our Hoñble Masters the charge of Interest for tho' we have given a License for its resale, we know not whether it may be Effected.

In our Computation of the Godolphin's stock you will perceive we have reckond the Bullion bought on her at the rate it would produce in our Mint, w^ch. after adding the Goods now sent makes the Amount something above 240000 but as the Surplus is so small, we don't think it necessary to open the Chests for taking any part out & therefore let the whole of the Treasure be consign'd on her to China.

Reconsidering on the small quantity of Pepper you have hopes of procuring from the present Crop w^th. the Dissapointment of what we expected at Onore thro' the ships not being in time to proceed there, we direct that you encrease your Purchases either at Callicutt, Mangalore or else where all you possibly can, nor do we think proper to assertain the price knowing you will perform all that may be in your power for preventing the want of Tonnage next Season, We are not indeed expressly advisd the number of ships to come, but have reason to believe there may be severall. We are

Bombay Castle
April 18^TH. 1741.
Rec^D. ℔ Nottingham the 30^TH.

Sirs
Your Loving Friends
Stephen Law.
Jn^o. Morley.
W. Sedgewicke.
Geo: Dudley.

To William Wake Esq^R.
Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

This is to acquaint you that the Calcutta Grab being fully Laden w^th. 130 Bales of Cotton, I cannot take any more in.

I am
Tellicherry
Sirs
May 1^T. 1741.
Your most Hble Serv^t.
Rec^D. D^o. Die.
John Beck.

To William Wake Esq^R.
Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

In obedience to your Orders I have this day Survey'd the hoñble Company's ship Hallifax, the number of men Quantity of Ammunition being as follows Viz^t.

98 Men.
35 Barrels of Gun Powder.
20 Rounds of shot.

I am
Tellicherry
Sirs
May 2^D. 1741.
Your most Obed^t. & most hble Servant
Rec^D. D^o. Die.
Geo: Hamilton.

To William Wake Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

Our last was under 17^th^. Ins^t^. by the Nottingham who sailed hence in Company w^th^. the Hallifax the 21^t^.

We then wrote you that Directions had been sent to Surat for the Gentlemen to forward the Putchuck procured in part of the Godolphin's Cargo, directly to you, but no Conveyance offering the [*sic*] sent the same hither on the Phazze Salam on Board of w^ch^. ship we have continu'd it & goes consign'd to you, Invoice & Bill of Lading whereof comes enclos'd. This Article must be instantly transhipp'd to the Godolphin, & in case that Ship should be full you must reserve such a part of the Cotton as to admitt of her receiving the Putchuck, as it is a Commodity that seldom fails at the China Markett, but should it not arrive in time and the Godolphin be sailed you are to receive the same & preserve it in the best manner possible for the Service of next year.

The two Criminals Tho^s^. Browne & Michael Peter Fry sent from your place were two days since brought to their Trial & in consequence of the plainness of the Fact comdemn'd We had indeed resolved their Execution should have been w^th^. you as the Example might be of Service to others of your Garrison tho' that step would not be regular, but since their Sentence shewing a sence of their Guilt, & even requesting their Execution may be speedily, & that should they be sent from hence they would be Deprived of the assistance & attendance of our Chaplain in preparing them for their End which they are extremely earnest for, we think it more consistent all things considered to keep them here & in a few days a Warrant for their Deaths will be passed to the Sheriff.

As we are in want of Rhubarb for our Hospitall we would have you if possible procure as far as fifty Pounds, & send hither by the first good Conveyance after the rains & in order to prevent the like happening the ensueing Year, do you send on the Godolphin 100 Rup^s^. to be deliver'd to the Supra Cargos to whom you must write requesting them to invest that Amount in Rhubarb & send the same either to us or you on any Maccao or other Ship bound this way & provided you receive the same see it forwarded hither & Debt the Presidency for the Amount. We are

Bombay
Ap^ll^. 27^th^. 1741.

Sirs
Your Loving Friends

Stephen Law.
Jn^o^. Morley.
W. Sedgewicke.
Geo: Dudley.

P.S. The Serjeant & Others sent as Evidences now return & Enclosed is an qr. raes Acc^t^. of what has been paid them; the am^t^. 36 Rup^s^. 3. 0 w^ch^. is allow'd for Diet money is given to M^r^. Williamson, who will deliver the same to the Chief, & must be appropriated towards reimbursing what paid their families; As these people have been included in our Rolls so the Expence incurr'd is carried off to the charges of this place & therefore need not be credited for on your Books.

Rec^d^. p^r^ Phazzee Salam
May 5^th^. 1741.

Stephen Law.
Jn^o^. Morley.
W. Sedgewicke.
Geo: Dudley.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Yesterday about 5 oth Clock in the Evenᵍ. we Arrived here, & this mornᵍ. I ship'd on Board the Hallifax 702 Robbins or 175½ Candies Pepper, as much as the Capᵗ. could this day take in; To morrow he will take in more thô Im afraid at last not the Quantity order'd him, in wᶜʰ. case I have told him that I must be oblig'd to Protest against him.

Francisco Dias informs me that the other day he wrote you of his having purchased 75 Candies of Pepper @ 108 Rupˢ. ℔ Candy. This mornᵍ. sundry Merchᵗˢ. coming to the Factory to tender Pepper to the shipping Gentlemen, whom I found inclineable to give 120 Rupˢ. the Candy, I immediately acquainted the Linguist thereof, & sought proper means to withdraw them from the Factory to his house, where I Agreed wᵗʰ. them for 80 to 90 Candies of Pepper, at the rate of Rupˢ. 109½ ℔ Candy they absolutely refusing to give it for less wᶜʰ. I hope will meet wᵗʰ. your Approbation, & that you will immediately send down Money to make good these purchases.

The Maccao Ship from the Northward having just now Anchor'd in this road makes me afraid that I shall not be able to procure any more Pepper during my stay here wᶜʰ. I Believe will not exceed six or seven days as by that time I hope that I shall have executed your Commands to me.

Capᵗ. Barton in the Lancaster arriv'd here last night from Surat, & is now shipping some Pepper & Sandall Wood he Bought going up the Coast & intends to sail early in the mornᵍ. for Cochin & Madrass. I am

CALLICUTT — SIR & SIRS
MAY 4TH. 1741. — Your most Obedᵗ. most hble Servant
RECD. ℔ TONEY THE 6TH. — W. WEST.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

℔ qr. lb

You having made a Demand on me for Rupˢ. 946. 2. 96 being for 7. 1. 26½ of Elephants teeth short deliverd of my Europe Cargo, I must humbly request you will refer this Affair to the honble Company to be adjusted by them wᵗʰ. my owners, as I have Deliverd the full Number sent on Board & there is generally an allowance made by them for Loss in weight. I am with respect

TELLICHERRY — SIR & SIRS
MAY 8TH. 1741. — Your most Obedᵗ. humb: Servant
RECD. DO. DIE. — FRANCIS STEWARD.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

Upon survey taken this day of the Godolphin the Condition of that ship appears to be conformable to Charter Party, in respect to **Men,** Guns, Ammunition &cᵃ. I am wᵗʰ. respect

TELLICHERRY — SIRS
MAY 8TH. 1741. — Your most Obedᵗ. Hble Servant
RECD. DO. DIE. — GEO: HAMILTON.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The Quantity of Pepper & Cardamoms you have Laden on Board one here Tons being 269. 782 decs. compleating my Charter Party Tonnage I request you will send Tons on Board 400 Candies more computed to be 133. 928 decs, & I do hereby in the part on Behalf of my owners declare such Surplus Tonnage so Laden shall be deliver'd to the honble Court of Directors for affairs of the United English East India Company, or to their Order at half Freight.

TELLICHERRY
MAY 8TH. 1740.
RECD. DO. DIE.

I am
SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humb: Servant
THOS. BROWNE.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

This morning I receed your Favour of the 6th. Instt. wth. 20000 Rups. wch. Francisco Dias has brought upon the Books of the Factory as well as taken the Pepper by me Bought into his Charge, & Just now I contract wth. a Mercht. for 100 Cands. more at Rups. 106½ ℔ Candy, wch. be pleased immediately to send money for the payment of & if you think proper Ten or twenty thousand Rups. more to lie here ready for the purchasing of any Quantity of Pepper that may be offer'd when no Boat can be sent from Tellicherry to this place.

The Lancaster sailed the 5th. & I gave the Hallifax her Dispatches the 6th. at night, but she did not sail till yesterday some time in the night. Capt. Blake would take no more than 339 Cands. of Pepper on board for wch. reason I protested against him & enclos'd Copy of his Answer thereto to the Presidency of Bengall. I am

CALLICUTT
THE 8TH. MAY. 1741.
RECD. ℔ TONEY.
THE 9TH.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humb. Servt.
W. WEST.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF & MR. WILLIAM JEYNSON.

SIRS

The condition of the honble Company's Ship Nottingham upon a Survey taken of her this day, appears to be conformable to Charter Party wth. respect to Men, Guns & Ammunition.

TELLICHERRY
MAY 10TH. 1741.
RECD. DO. DIE.

I am
SIRS
Your most Obedt. hble Servant
GEO: HAMILTON.

CAPT. BLAKE HIS REPLY TO MR. WEST'S PROTEST.

SIR

I acknowledge the receipt of your Protest & think it incumbent on me to give my reasons here, that in case of mortality this may appear in behalf of myself & Owners of the Hallifax.

The Orders I recēd from the Govr. & Council of Bbay was to take in so much Cotton as I possibly could reserving room for 600 Candy of Pepper. I was prevailed upon to take in 50 Bales more than I intended imagining I could make some shift to comply wth. their Orders, & was desirous to carry all that I possibly could on Acct. of the honble Company.

Having no Kentlige Goods I was oblig'd to Ballast wth. Bbay Stones, wch. reduc'd the ships Hold to 9 Feet, by wch. I lost a whole Teer of Bales; after I had recēd those Orders at Bbay & complied wth. them I was order'd to receive Forty six Men, Forty five of wch. were for Anjengo & one for Bengall, wch. oblig'd me to take in an Additional Quantity of Water & Provision to the Amt. of 10 Tun & upwards besides Chests & other Baggage.

With the above I did also receive by Order at Bbay a Quantity of Stones &ca. the Tonnage of wch. I cannot very well tell as I have no Account of them here ashore, but that they take up a great deal of room & of course is also some detriment to my receiving my Quantity of Pepper.

As we have met a very long Passage down the Coast to this Place & the season is so far advanced that there is reason to apprehend daily the SW Monsoon setting upon us therefore cannot venture to unstow the Ship to start Pepper among the Cotton as I proposed; besides we have also mett wth. great Interruptions by the heavy rains wch. have fell since we have been here.

Lastly I can safely assure you that to the best of my knowledge there is not in the Hold or Gun room one Parcell but what belongs to the honble Company. I am

Callicutt — Sir
May 6th. 1741. — Your most Obedt. Humb. Servant
Recd. the 12th. — John Blake.

To William Wake Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

Yesterday I wrote you overland by a Person belonging to your place; This goes by one of the Toneys that brought the 23000 Rups. the Mucquas of wch. have recēd two Bales of rice & 4 Fanams for Expences, & 3 Rups. advanced in case of Accidents; The four Soldiers have recēd their Diet for fifteen Days. I am

Mangulore — Gentlemen
the 16th. May 1741. — Your most Obedt. & most humble Servant
Recd. ℔ Toney the 18th. — Thos. Purnell.

To William Wake Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

On the 6th. Inst. I dispatched a Shybar to you, that I had Freighted to carry the Pepper remaining here wch. is about 80 Candies, but from the badness of the Weather she could not pass mount Dilly, & wth. several other Munchuas return'd hither on the 10th. Inst; The Bales were much wetted with rain but have dried them in the best manner I can & am shooting them loose into a Godown wch. I have hired for that purpose, as it is now too late in the season to risque anything in these Country Vessels.

Your not having the Pepper sent in due time was occasioned by not being able to get Vessels, the Government having laid an Embargo on them for not carrying rice to their Camp as Customary.

On the 8th. Inst. I recēd your Letter of the 4th. with three Chests of Treasure containing 23000 Rups. to be advanced Hur Camoty on account of his Contract with the Honble President & Council upon his giving security for it in case of his Mortality; He is now at Biddinure, & from his refusing that sum when I offered it to him at Merjee & not sending any answer to what I wrote him of the 5 ℔ Cent risque for delivering the Pepper here, makes me suspect that he has laid the Contract aside. He is the sole mannager of the Pepper Business & the money may be very safe in his hands; But whether or no he can give sufficient security for the performance of his Contract in case of his Mortality I cannot pretend to say, whence I shall Dispatch Ventura D'Souza as soon as possible wth. the Chiefs open Letter to him, whose answer you shall be advised of before the money be paid him if it is not conformable to Ye. Tenor of your Letter.

As I have now no hopes of sending the Pepper before the rains I do not imagine my staying any Longer here will be of any Service whence I shall deliver the money to the Factor in whose hands I Believe it will be very safe & as soon as the Weather permitts shall come down wth. the Toneys.

I am with respect

MANGULORE
THE 15TH. MAY. 1741.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient & most Humble Servant

RECD. ℔ PATTAMAR THE 20.

THOS. PURNELL.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

We are under good deal of concern that we have not recēd any news from the Presidency or even any from the Northward, & the season of the year being now such as puts it entirely out of our hopes of any by sea, & as we expected several Stores down wch. likely the little bad Weather we had about the beginning of the Month, may have made the ship conclude the rains were setting in & pass by us, We should be glad to know if you sent us anything & on what Ships.

We have reports here of a Europe ships arriving wth. you from England wch. we judge to be the Godolphin & shall be very glad to find it proves true.

In an Acct. Current Book of the deceas'd Mr. Salisbury we find Willm. Wake Esqr. to stand Debtor Gal: fan: 12765 but by an Acct. Current of Mr. Purnell's writing it appears to have been cleared & adjusted therefore please to sett us right in this affair.

We have paid to Mr. Sclater Gall Fan. 82. 5 the Ballance of Mr. Ainsworth Acct. who has declared his readiness to take his oath to the Validity of wch. you'll please to administer to him Copy of wch. Acct. we now send.

By private advices we hear our honble Masters ship the Cæsar is Arriv'd at Madrass.

The Dutch Continue at Quiletche wch. place we presume they will now never relinquish. The King gives out he Designs to attack them now the Ships are gone, but if we Judge by his hitherto Behaviour we can't expect it will come to any thing.

We are

ANJENGO,
MAY 14TH. 1741.

SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants.

RECD. PR. PATTAMAR
THE 27TH.

CHAS. WHITEHILL.
ROBT. RAWDON.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOMAS LANE.

To William Wake Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

Our Honble Master's Ship Nottingham carried our last, since w^ch^. we have only receˆd your's by the Ship Mary, Duplicate whereof had been before receˆd & has been already replied to. By the Phazzee Salem we wrote you a short Lre purposely to advise the Consignment of Putchuck design'd for China on that Ship.

By some advices receˆd lately via Persia (Copy whereof we now enclose) it may be reasonably presum'd the then Conjuncture of Affairs in Europe tend not only to a Continuance of the war but that it will become General, & as from the near Neighbourhood of your Settlement to that of the French, it is the more immediately incumbent on us to secure our Honble Master's Property, we send this purposely to give you a timely Caution that you may Consult the necessary measures & put yourselves in such a posture of Defence as we hope will be sufficient to frustrate any open or Secret Designs they may attempt to put in Execution.

As we have no register here of the Grants & Priviledges obtain'd for the Security of our honble Masters Commerce & Settlements in these parts we would therefore have you transmitt as soon as they can be prepared by some good Conveyance, Translates in English of all such as relate to your Settlement, to w^ch^. it would be proper to subjoin your Remarks & Opinion of their Benefit & how far they are observed & regard by the respective Governments.

Forward the accompanying Packet to the Chief and Factors at Anjengo by the most proper means of Conveyance.

We are
Bombay Castle
May the 26^th^. 1741.
Rec^d^. p^r^. Pattamar
July. the 16^th^. 1741.

Your Loving Friends
Stephen Law.
Jn^o^. Morley.
W. Sedgwicke.
Geo: Dudley.

An Abstract of a Letter to the Jesuits at Spahaun.

The most material news from Europe is the Election of a new Pope, his name is Lambertini, Arch Bishop of Bologne created Cardinal by Bennit XIII, He was nominated to the Papacy the 14^th^. Aug^t^. 1740 and has taken the name of Bennit.

The Empress of Russia died the 28^th^. of last October, she had Declared before her Death, the Son of her Sister's Daughter, Czar a young Prince of 7 Months old, & At the time of her Death she nominated the Duke of Coverland Regent till the Czar should be 17 Years old.

Eight days after the Death of the Czarina died the Emperour of Germany; he had nominated his Eldest Daughter married to the Great Duke of Tuscany, heiress to the Austrian Dominion but the States have declared her only regent to the hereditary Demesnes.

Before the Emperours Death the Turkish Ambassador began to talk in so haughty a manner at Vienna that the Austrian Council thought proper to desire the interposition of the French Ambassador to accommodate Affairs.

The French w^th^. 28 men of War have made themselves Masters of the Port of Leghorn, w^th^. what view is not yet known.

The Turks make great Preparations for War w^th^. the Persians; Provisions, Ammunition &c^a^. are continually going to Bagdat, Mosoul &c^a^. & tis said the Grand Seignor intends to head his Army himself; Shawen Shaw makes the like preparation; he has forc'd all the Workmen he can find to make Guns, Arrows &c^a^. implements of war without number.

Rec^d^. p^r^ Pattamar
July the 16^th^. 1741.

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